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Dear Colleague,

Our Future: Creating a Culture of Care

I'm delighted to share our five-year strategic plan with you. Our strategic plan has been shaped through a series of co-design workshops and events involving our staff, students and partners in 2022 and 2023. This document articulates our vision, ambitions, and goals.

Our Care Nexus Vision is:

- Creating a culture of care that permeates everything we do and stand for.
- Achieving excellence in research, education, and practice and how to integrate them.
- Ensuring that our students, staff, community, industry partners, and consumers see this in action and can describe its positive impact on them.

Our **Care Nexus Vision** is where care takes centre stage, and our collaboration creates a truly compassionate, capable, job-ready workforce for the future.

In creating a culture of care, **Flinders Nursing and Health Sciences** will bring innovations into today's education to develop our future workforce. As we work together, we will foster a culture of continuous learning, collaboration, and growth. By embracing interdisciplinary collaborations and investing in people through ongoing education, research, and practice, we will develop a caring workforce that is adaptable, knowledgeable, and capable of providing the highest possible standard of care.

I invite you to partner with us to develop innovative solutions and new ways of thinking and working to optimise health and care. Together, we will realise the transformative potential of "Living Laboratories" as fully integrated, interprofessional spaces for co-design, learning and teaching, experiments, and care delivery. With our work already embedded in industry and in working with our partners, together we will solve the world's most wicked problems in health today and for the future.

Let us work together to shape a **Care Nexus** future. With care as our guiding principle there is no limit to what we can achieve together.

I look forward to sharing this journey with you,

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