



PRIME MINISTER

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I welcome the efforts of the Australian Medical Association to develop a practical proposal for the establishment of a National Road Trauma Authority.

The efforts of the AMA President, Dr Bryce Phillips, and Sir Dennis Paterson, of the Adelaide Children's Hospital, are worthy of the full support of all levels of government. My Government will implement this proposal on re-election and congratulates the AMA on its ability to pull together the support of the States on this issue.

When I discussed this proposal with Dr Phillips and Sir Dennis last month, it was clear that they viewed this proposal as complementing the efforts this Government has made in support of nationally consistent road laws. I will have more to say on this subject at the Road Transport Industry Forum in Sydney tomorrow.