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NASOG welcomes appointment of new Health Minister

The National Association of Specialist Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (NASOG) today has welcomed the appointment of Mr Greg Hunt as the new Minister for Health and Sport.

Dr Gary Swift, President of NASOG, said the organisation, the professional association representing specialist obstetricians and gynaecologists, looked forward to working closely with the new Minister and his office to further the interests of women's health care across Australia.

"Our members are specialist medical professionals who care for women from adolescence through their reproductive years and beyond," Dr Swift said.

"We will be seeking an early meeting with Mr Hunt to explain the role of our members who support women through gynaecological issues and pregnancy, caring both for healthy women and babies as well as those who face complications of infertility, pregnancy and birth."

Dr Swift said it was important for the new Minister to recognise the scope of work undertaken in the health sector by NASOG members, and the role obstetricians and gynaecologists therefore play.

'We work closely with GPs, midwives, nurses, physiotherapists and other health professionals to provide comprehensive care for all aspects of women's health.

"We look forward to working closely with the Minister to improve the health and wellbeing of women throughout Australia."

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About NASOG: The National Association of Specialist Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (NASOG) is a not-for-profit professional association representing specialist Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, the leading providers of specialist women's health services. Australia is recognised as one of the safest countries in the world to give birth or to be born. NASOG strongly endorses our collaborative, proactive model of obstetric and midwifery care for all women giving birth in Australia. The safety of this model of care is confirmed by research from Australia and around the world.