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Dear Children's Online Privacy Code Consultation Team,

As the of AQ's Corner LLC, a cybersecurity education initiative focused on empowering families, children, and educators with practical, age-appropriate digital safety tools, I am honored to contribute to this important conversation about online privacy for young people in Australia.

At AQ's Corner, we specialize in creating culturally responsive resources that help children build digital resilience while encouraging parents and caregivers to engage in ongoing conversations about cybersecurity. Our mission is deeply aligned with the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner's effort to ensure the Children's Online Privacy Code reflects the real-world voices and experiences of families.

We commend your thoughtful approach to involving children, parents, and educators directly in shaping the Code. It is essential that policy not only protects children but also **empowers them with understanding**, especially as digital platforms increasingly become part of their daily lives.

## **Suggestion for Consideration:**

To strengthen the effectiveness of the Code's rollout and future impact, we recommend the inclusion of a "Digital Conversation Prompt" toolkit or family engagement guide as part of the final Code package. This would provide:

**Simple, age-appropriate conversation starters** for families about privacy rights, data use, and safe digital habits.

- A way for parents to discuss and model behaviors like reviewing app permissions, identifying trusted adults, and choosing secure passwords.
- Guidance for parents to **co-learn** with their children, rather than approach digital safety from a purely instructional stance.

Encouraging these open, ongoing conversations bridges the gap between policy and practice, making the Code not just a protective measure but a catalyst for family connection, digital literacy, and empowerment.

We would be honored to be cited among contributors should your final documentation include acknowledgements. Thank you for the opportunity to share our perspective and support your mission to center the voices of families in digital policy.

