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Please find attached report from your
Indigenous Health Student Rhiannon Coppin

Kind regards
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To my Sponsor,

My name is Rhiannon Coppin, I am currently located in Darwin, Northern Territory and am studying a Bachelor of Midwifery with Charles Darwin University. There is no doubt that 2020 has brought challenges to many students and families, thanks to Covid-19 however, I am extremely fortunate to not be directly impacted. I do work fulltime, and my position is classed as an essential service (Centrelink), however I am currently on Maternity Leave after having my Daughter in January. My husband is a current serving Defence Member and has been serving overseas since March 2020. So, I guess you could say I too have had a lot of adjustment in the past 6 months.

These changes, however, have not affected my study. For semester 1 2020 I was undertaking 1 unit to allow myself to adjust to being a parent for the first time and then a sole parent 9 weeks later. I have put in place a strict routine for the both of us, which at times includes late nights and early starts to ensure I provide high quality work. This has proven to pay off and I received a Distinction for the unit and an Outstanding Academic Achievement letter from Charles Darwin University.

I cannot wait to start Semester 2 and have decided to further challenge myself by enrolling into 2 units. Due to Covid-19 my 4th unit for the year, a practical Midwifery unit has been moved to Summer Semester (Christmas/New Year break) unfortunately, this means I will not be able to get a break before returning to work and university for 2021 however, it does mean I am able to space my workload and focus on producing a high quality of work and maintaining my grades.

Yours Sincerely,

Rhiannon Coppin