Mary

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Prior to 2020	2020 End of Year Update
Demographics Female based in Regional NSW Support commenced in Jan 2018 at age 15 (year 10)	**Current Status** Completed year 12 in 2020 and is currently awaiting university offers. Mary has applied to study Medicine in QLD and NSW and is preparing to move away from home for university in 2021.
Background Lives with parents, older brother and sister. Mother is full time carer for father who is legally blind.	**Grades** **Mid Year** English- **A**, Maths- **A**, Biology- **A**, Chemistry- **B**, Business- **A**, Legal Studies- **A** **End of Year** English- **A**, Maths- **A**, Biology- **A**, Chemistry- **A**, Business- **A**, Legal Studies- **A**
Significant Achievements Consistently achieved top grades in year 10 and 11 Represented the state for table tennis Talented artist and plays piano	**Significant Achievements** Mary finds chemistry challenging but worked extremely hard through year 12 to move up from a B to A grade. This was achieved by implementing a strict studying routine and extra help from her older sister who is an *A Start in Life* Alumni. This uplift in Chemistry led to Mary receiving an ATAR score of 97.
Challenges Mary is academically gifted and both her and her family have high expectations. Mary has had to balance her studies and extra curricular commitments. Both of her older siblings are studying Dentistry at university and there is an expectation for her to follow in their foot steps.	**Challenges** Mary sat the UMAT test mid year for entry into Medicine in 2021. This required additional study on top of her already busy year 12 work load. To prepare she sat mock exams to familiarise herself with complex questions and improve her timing to ensure she could complete the exam.
Goals To study either Law, Dentistry or Medicine at university	**Goals** In year 12 Mary narrowed her university course selection down to Medicine. It is her goal to help financially disadvantage people, like her own family, have access to good quality healthcare.

2020 Support Plan

School Fees	School Shoes & Uniforms	Stationery & Textbooks	Internet	Technology	Tutoring	Extra Curricular
26%	15.2%	4.5%	18.2%	8.5%	11.6%	16%