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Review Secretariat
Review of Pharmacy Remuneration and Regulation
Australian Health Department

Dear Professor King, Bill Scott and Jo Watson,

I am most concerned about The King Review Interim Report proposing to have homeopathic medicines removed from pharmacies.

The reason I write from New Zealand is because of the repercussion of this actually happening in Australia would have a huge affect on Homeopathy in New Zealand.

I have used homeopathic medicines for my family including my pets for the past 15 years with great benefit. I have also studied this amazing form of natural health system, so I know first hand of its amazing results on people.

I would like to know what scientific evidence *The King Review* used for its position that the 'sale of homeopathic products creates risk of harm'.

The report considers me incapable of making my own, informed choice about the type of healthcare I use.

Australians and New Zealanders are intelligent people who spend their money wisely. It is obvious that the use of homeopathy and other natural medicines is growing.

I do not believe that homeopathy has been properly, fairly and scientifically researched by Australia's peak medical body, the NHMRC.

Homeopathy is freely used by large numbers of people in Europe and many other countries especially India, so why prevent people residing in Australia from using it?

I am not aware of any cases of harm caused by homeopathic medicines. I am aware though, that many pharmaceutical medicines have serious side effects, which is why I believe homeopathy should remain as a safe treatment option for Australians.

I have found that homeopathic medicines are effective on babies, children and animals, so I know homeopathy has nothing to do with placebo.

Homeopathy works and is the future medicine so please do not remove our choice to use it.

**Yours sincerely
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