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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 deeply concerned about The King Review Interim Report proposing to have homeopathic medicines removed from pharmacies. I have used homeopathic medicines for my family with great benefit. 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 are discerning people who spend their money wisely. It is no error of judgement 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, so why prevent Australians 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.

There is nothing wrong with Australians using Alternative Therapy options in my eyes if there is a natural way to treat something instead of a pharmaceutical options which has multiple side effects then why can we as Australians not use that option.

I am very disappointed as a nurse that you would potentially remove homeopathic medicine, I have treated my two children for multiple problems with homeopathy and I personally would be very lost without it. I have cured many many conditions that medicine has no treatment for with homeopathy & as a nurse have a very good understanding of the truth behind a large number of growing issues within our health care due to side effects from pharmaceutical drugs!!!

Yours sincerely,

