

Review of Pharmacy Remuneration and Regulation
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Review Secretariat
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Australian Health Department

Dear Professor King, Bill Scott and Jo Watson,

Biomedicine is known to be one of the top 5 killers of mankind in Australia, United Kingdom, United States of America and worldwide – consequently Australian people need alternative options. All the focus on homeopathy simply distracts the public from the bigger problem, **investigating how to make biomedicine safer**. Removing homeopathy does not make the public safer, it simply removes choice. I am deeply concerned about The King Review Interim Report proposing to have homeopathic medicines removed from pharmacies because it does not have the public's best interest at hand. It does not address the issue of how to provide safe health care for Australians.

I have used homeopathic medicines for myself and 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 NHMRC report has been found to be of poor quality. I do not believe that homeopathy has been properly, fairly and scientifically researched by Australia's peak medical body, the NHMRC. Removing homeopathy considers me incapable of making my own, informed choice about the type of healthcare I use. It is no error of judgement that the use of homeopathy and other natural medicines is growing.

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.

Please consider my objection to removing homeopathic remedies from being freely available for the Australian public seriously.

Yours sincerely,

Joanne Greenland