

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,

I am very concerned about the King Review which proposes to remove homeopathic medicines from pharmacies. I have used homeopathic medicines for my family with enormous benefit and effect for over ten years now.

I object to Professor King's inference that I, and others, are incapable of making our own informed choice about the form of healthcare I / we use.

I and other Australians are discerning people who spend money thoughtfully. It is ignorant / arrogant to suggest that so many Australians would buy products that had no value, and it is no error 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.

I am not aware of any cases of harm caused by homeopathic medicines, but I am aware that many readily available pharmaceutical medicines have serious side effects. It is obvious to me that homeopathics have nothing to do with placebo. It is also obvious to me that homeopathics are very safe. I believe that the Australians using homeopathics are intelligent and very capable of determining whether or not homeopathics work for them.

Why prevent Australians from using Homeopathy when it has been used so successfully by so many? Australians deserve the freedom to choose their own health support. Homeopathy should remain as a safe and freely available health management option for all Australians.

Yours sincerely,

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