

## Review of Pharmacy Remuneration and Regulation

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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.

### Other comments:

I have been using homeopathic remedies since a child. I am now thirty-six years old and have a little boy who is now eighteen months old.

I do consult a general practitioner for myself and my son for checkups. However most or all of the medications I use for myself and my child are homeopathic.

The reason for this is that I always obtain positive results in very little time and with no side effects.

I believe there should be a choice for the Australian population for both homeopathic and main stream medicine.

This is our democratic right!

Please do not remove our privilege to make our own choices.

Yours sincerely,

Natalie Marshall