

Submission to the TGA: options for the future regulation of low risk products

Of the four options under consideration by the TGA, I strongly agree with upholding the following proposed actions:

1. Leave homeopathy as it currently is; and
2. Require higher scientific evidence for high therapeutic claims

I strongly disagree with the following proposed regulatory actions:

3. Exempt certain homeopathics from having to be listed providing the traditional use of homeopathic remedies continues to be acknowledged and preserved
4. Declare homeopathic products not to be therapeutic goods.

Homeopathy is a safe, effective, inexpensive and gentle traditional healing modality, which can be used alongside a wide variety of drug and non-drug therapies to support healing.

Opponents of homeopathy who level criticism at homeopathic remedies or want homeopathy banned, simply want to take away the rights including freedom of choice supporters of homeopathy currently have.

Opponents should not be allowed to take away the rights of those who support homeopathy and also the rights of those who may benefit by using remedies derived from this traditional system of healing.

The best approach to healthcare is one that embraces and ensures people have the ability to choose what is right for their health needs.