

Submission to the Therapeutic Goods Administration

Options for low risk products

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I am concerned at the prospective changes proposed for low risk products and support options 1-3 but do NOT support Option 4.

I am not satisfied with the NHMRC review and methodology, particularly the number of participants in relation to a medical trial of 150, nor can the claim there is **no** reliable evidence for the efficacy of homeopathy, based on the cited criteria.

There is considerable evidence that would support further funding and research into homeopathy, and the right of clients to use this adjunctive approach. This also applies to farmers and pet owners, and is infinitely preferable to the current abuse of antibiotics.

In a very short search of peer reviewed articles I found:

[Zabolotnyi, D.I., Kneis, K. C., Richardson, A., Rettenberger, R., Heger, M., Kaszkin-](#)

[Bettag, M. , & Heger, P.](#) Efficacy of a Complex Homeopathic Medication (Sinfrontal) in Patients with Acute Maxillary Sinusitis: A Prospective, Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled, Multicenter Clinical Trial- Conclusion: This complex homeopathic medication is safe and appears to be an effective treatment for acute maxillary sinusitis.

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