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The Therapeutic Goods Administration PO Box 100 WODEN ACT 2606

Attention: Complementary and OTC Medicines Branch

To Whom It May Concern

This is my submission regarding the TGA wanting to restrict the use of Homeopathic Medicine. From the onset I wish to state that I support Options One and Two. I strongly disagree with Options 3 and 4.

I was first introduced to Homeopathy over thirty five years ago when my eldest daughter who was 4 years of age was suffering from 'glue ear'. Following the failure of a grommet operation due to blockages, my daughter required second operation for grommets. I was concerned about a second anaesthetic in such a short space of time when a family member suggested homeopathy, to cut this story short my daughter did not require the second operation. Not only was she not subjected to another invasive surgery also as a family we saved the tax payer a lot of money. Through this experience my children, now their children are true believers and users of Homeopathy.

Homeopathy is for those who are prepared to take responsibility for their health and work as a team with their practitioner. This approach provides the best results as the person becomes aware of the change in their body before the onset of severe symptoms. There is no risk associated with the treatment also the person knows to seek medical intervention if the condition does not improve. The two systems work extremely well together.

Common-sense must prevail when making the assessment, as consumers we should have the opportunity to choose. We are continually told through the media that the health system is in crisis and not affordable by Government. So why restrict Homeopathy that cost so very little and achieves so many benefits?

Yours sincerely