

## To the Therapeutic Goods Administration

To whom it may concern,

I am very distressed about the proposed changes to the access and use of homeopathic medicines here in Australia. These proposals will impact on hundreds of thousands of people, who use homeopathic medicines, rather than suffer from the toxic effects of pharmaceutical drugs. I strongly support options one and two of the proposal, which maintain the accessibility and use of homeopathics and respect the rights of intelligent, well- educated and informed Australian citizens to use these beneficial medicines. I strongly disagree with Options three and four, which will seriously impact on the use and availability of homeopathic medicines here in Australia.

Given that the Royal Family is just one example of people, who use homeopathic medicines for their illnesses, everyday Australians are also capable of making wise and judicious decisions regarding their own health. Why does the TGA view complementary medicine, as subject to repression and severe limitation, when people like myself, who have been using homeopathic medicines for over thirty five years have experienced the benefits and results? It is not placebo and all in our minds. Getting well from an illness or injury is living empirical evidence of the benefits of homeopathic medicines.

How many people have been damaged from the effects of pharmaceutical drugs on their bodies? These statistics will never come to light because of vested financial interests of pharmaceutical companies. I would appeal to the TGA and this proposal to shut down the access and availability of homeopathic medicines, to consider the impact on people like myself, and other users of these beneficial and non-toxic medicines. We have a human right to choice, and the dignity of supporting and maintaining the health of our bodies, as we deem appropriate and beneficial.

I trust that the TGA will listen to the voices of those who wish to use homeopathic medicines as an integral part of our health care.

Thank-you for considering my submission.

Yours Sincerely,

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