

To whom it may concern

Re Australian Homeopathy TGA Regulatory options

I am writing to communicate my alarm that my freedom as an Australian Citizen to consult with Homeopathic Practitioners and to use Homeopathic Medicine is at risk.

I am a teacher, mother and grandmother who has for 40 years, very safely supported the health of my family and myself with Homeopathic Medicine. Using Homeopathy has enabled my family to very often avoid needing to use antibiotics (and their often negative health effects), to take some personal responsibility in gaining wellness when ill health arises and to support personal and family wellbeing and healthy life.

In the year 2017, Australia should be striving for wide choice, variety of medicines and personal freedom in choosing health care providers and medicines - not a narrowing of health care options.

In the extract below (

https://www.hri-research.org/resources/homeopathy-the-debate/the-swiss-hta-report-on-homeopathy/) the Swiss HTA Report, "confirms homoeopathy as a valuable addition to the conventional medical landscape – a status it has been holding for a long time in practical health care."

To guote the report's official conclusion:

"There is sufficient evidence for the preclinical effectiveness and the clinical efficacy of homeopathy and for its safety and economy compared with conventional treatment."

I understand that in Australia, **The Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA)** has presented a Consultation on "Low Risk Products" which has serious implications for Australian homeopathy and that The TGA has Four regulatory options under consideration being:

Option 1 – Keep homeopathy regulated the way it is.

Option 2 – Keep it the way it is but require scientific evidence for high level claims.

Option 3 – Exempt homeopathy from listing.

Option 4 – Declare homeopathic products NOT to be therapeutic goods.

• I wish to emphasise it is the TGA's role is to protect public safety; it should not make value judgements on faulty evidence with the result being a diminished

choice of health care services and medicines in Australia.

- It is my personal experience that homeopathy is one of the safest options of any medicine available.
- I strongly urge that Australian rights be preserved in line with many European countries, to maintain the freedom to access homeopathy by choice in Australia.
- I strongly urge that The TGA make no regulatory changes to Australian

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Yours Faithfully