

Four (4) options for homeopathy in Australia

In understand the TGA is considering the future of homeopathy in Australia, and that there are four (4) options.

TGA: Four regulatory options under consideration

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 am an alternative health user and proponent and prefer to use more natural and alternative remedies including nutritional, herbal, homeopathy and am anti-pharmaceutical drugs with their harmful side effects. I classify pharmaceutical drugs into the harmful and dangerous category along with many other chemical products and GMOs. People have the right to use non-chemical solutions for cleaning, insect control and organic produce and don't want to be exposed to harsh chemical products that may interfere in an unnatural way with a person's biogenome and may be carcinogenic. Homeopathy is a more natural approach to health and wellness.

There are many people in Australia who prefer the more natural and drug free approach to health to health, and don't want to have their options for using homeopathy cut off. Some parents will use and swear by homeopathic remedies for their children for simple things like colds and other such simple upsets.

Health freedom means that people should have the freedom to make their choice of therapy, without being dictated to use a therapy they disagree with such as mainstream pharmaceuticals.

I would like to be able to continue using alternatives including homeopathy and don't want to have homeopathy classified out of existence where it either becomes illegal, unavailable in health shops or be unable to find a homeopathic practitioner if I choose to consult such a person.

I opt for regulatory **Option 1 - Keep homeopathy regulated the way it is.**

I don't necessarily believe that homeopathy needs scientific evidence which isn't always that reliable. Some drugs are approved and go on to be withdrawn later (Vioxx). Might I point out also that the TGA doesn't always get it right and and now I am thinking of the Pan debacle where Pan was driven out of business by TGA strict guidelines, but later won a court settlement for \$10 million.