

14 April 2022

Attn: Mr Andrew Brown  
Independent Reviewer  
By email: [CSReview@ahpra.gov.au](mailto:CSReview@ahpra.gov.au)

Dear Mr Brown,

Please find below a submission to the Ahpra and Medical Board of Australia 'Review of the Regulation of Health Practitioners in Cosmetic Surgery', from Allergan Aesthetics.

Please let me know if there are any questions.

**Q31.** If you have any further comment relevant to Ahpra's and the Medical Board's regulation of cosmetic surgery including and/or suggestions for enhancements not mentioned in response to the above questions, please provide it here:

Patient safety is, and always has been, of paramount importance to Allergan Aesthetics. We support evidence-based recommendations to protect the safety of Australians who choose to have cosmetic medical procedures; and believe consumers should be fully informed of both the risks and the benefits involved so that they can make informed decisions and provide formal written consent in advance.

Allergan Aesthetics ANZ is clear that injectable treatments (dermal fillers and toxin injections) are medical procedures and as such, they should only be performed by a trained and qualified healthcare professional, in an appropriate clinical environment.

We recommend that consumers considering any cosmetic medical procedure check the accreditation of their healthcare professional on an approved register and, where products are proposed to be used, check that these are locally approved by the Therapeutic Goods Administration, as part of their research before proceeding.

Kind regards,

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