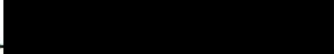


Regulation of Medical Practitioners

Name: 

Occupation: waiter / candle maker (optional)

As an Australian citizen/resident I feel that I should have the right to choose which methods I use to address my chronic health issues.

I have been suffering from:

→ coeliac disease

→ anxiety

→ panic attacks.

→ nutrient deficiency eg. iron, zinc etc.

Conventional general practice has not been able to successfully treat my condition(s) and bring me to a satisfactory outcome.

My condition remained unchanged and/or gradually became more chronic until I consulted with an integrative medical doctor who included lifestyle change, diet and supplements to address my problems.

If I cannot see an integrative Doctor, I feel that my health will deteriorate and have a continuing impact on my family, my work, and my well being.

Concerned,

Signature: 

Date: 29 / 04 / 2019

Email to: medboardconsultation@ahpra.gov.au

option 1 - no change to guidelines.

Regulation of Medical Practitioners

Name: _____

Occupation: Administrative Assistant (optional)
/ P.A.

As an Australian citizen/resident I feel that I should have the right to choose which methods I use to address my chronic health issues.

I have been suffering from:

Please see attached

Conventional general practice has not been able to successfully treat my condition(s) and bring me to a satisfactory outcome.

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Concerned,

Signature: _____

Date: 28 / 04 / 2019

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April 2019

To whom it may concern

I believe the public should have the choice to see a general practitioner who provides integrative healthcare. My family has benefited greatly after finally utilising the services of an integrative practitioner. After many years of struggling despite many appointments with GPs, schools, psychologists, and psychiatrists we finally saw an integrative practitioner and our health began to change for the better. I believe that without being able to see an integrative practitioner, I would still be on Centrelink as I'm a single mum and had to be home to supervise and look after things. I now have 5 jobs and my children are well. Seeing an integrative practitioner is by far the best thing I have ever done in my life. I don't know what would have happened to us if we did not find an integrative GP. I highly recommend seeking out the services of an integrative GP to everyone I meet who is struggling with the standard GP consult. It may not be necessary for everyone but if you have chronic issues or anxiety or depression then I believe an integrative practitioner is the best place to get long-term results. You build a house with bricks, wood and concrete; and a human body, neurotransmitters & hormones with nutrients. Rather than regulate more, why not bring in more nutrition training for GP's and more CPD modules that focus on nutrition and integrative health. Educate rather than regulate. Nutrition training for general practitioners currently seems inadequate. Unfortunately, this is obvious when you visit many GP's. It seems that you need to seek out a very proactive GP, one that stay up-to-date with the latest research to get the best nutrition / integrative help. My family's integrative practitioner was the only GP to discover several underlying causes for the problems we were having at home. These have finally mostly been remedied. One of the discoveries was that one of my daughters has Coeliac disease. Finally, we have a reason for low nutrients, bloating, anxiety etc. I would prefer to see an Integrative GP over other types of health practitioners, especially where my children are concerned, due to the rigor and training of GP's. I strongly want the choice to see an integrative GP. If that choice is taken away, I will certainly take my family health concerns to other types of integrative health professionals. I believe this is my best choice for long-term health and wellness. I believe it is not an either or situation when it comes to health. There is a place for conventional medicine and a place for integrative medicine. When I go to a GP, I want them to explain my options and if there are good options for both conventional and integrative medicine, I want the choice to decide which option to try. I believe more harm than good will come from additional regulation for GP's. I believe the public should have the choice to see a general practitioner who provides quality, integrative healthcare if that is what they choose to do. In fact, I believe integrative healthcare is the healthcare of today and the future.

Your sincerely

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