

To the Australian Human Rights Commission

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Dear Commissioner Trigg and Commissioner Broderick,

In 2005 the ex-chief editor of the New England Medical Journal of 20 years, Marcia Angell, stated "The medical establishment is complicit in the deception of the public and they have abdicated their duty of care of the public" (p.154).

In 2010 the Baxter report stated that the Australian Commonwealth Health Department is so riddled with conflict of interest that it is necessary to separate out the policy functions of this department from the service departments to ensure that policies are being made in the public interest. This report also informed Australians of the conflict of interest within the roles of the TGA which is 100% funded by industry. This body is responsible for approving drugs and monitoring the safety of drugs in the Australian population. A body that is sponsored by industry will protect the interests of its sponsor.

It is a fact that the TGA does not have a monitoring system that can accurately determine causal relationships between adverse events in the population and vaccines. Therefore it is unable to report accurately on the frequency with which adverse reactions occur in the Australian population and the types of adverse reactions that occur.

The Federal Health Minister, Tanya Plibersek and Chief Medical Officer, Christopher Baggoley, are being informed by 'expert' advisors' that consumers are presenting 'misinformation' about vaccines from the internet. Therefore these government representatives (health ministers are not required to have qualifications in health or science) are not addressing the concerns consumers have about vaccines. This evidence is on my website www.vaccinationdecisions.net

In addition, doctors are required to comply with government vaccination policy and they are provided with 'information sheets' about the benefits and risks of this procedure to inform the public. These information sheets are being produced by pharmaceutically funded research and an accreditation board (ACCME) that is dominated by pharmaceutical interests. It is a fact that doctors are not educated about the ingredients of vaccines and all the known science on the risks of vaccines is not being included in these 'information sheets'. Doctors are at risk of being de-registered if they present information on the risks that is not included in the 'information sheet'.

This situation is being supported by a mainstream media - 70% owned by Rupert Murdoch - that is influenced by pro-vaccination lobby groups who are informing journalists that the other side of the vaccination debate is 'misinformation from the internet' despite the fact that many doctors and researchers are speaking out on this issue. Lobby groups are discrediting journalists and scientists that speak against this policy on a website called the

'Hall of Shame'. This is a reality in Australia today and well respected people are being smeared on this website. Lobby groups are also targeting all political parties with political donations to ensure that all representatives of government support the current government vaccination policy.

Until the government can demonstrate that non-biased science is being used in government vaccination policies and until the recommendations of the Baxter report are implemented there should be no coercive measures used in vaccination programs. On behalf of many concerned Australians I would like to request that our right to maintain choice in the use of medical procedures in public health polices be addressed in an amendment to a new Human Rights and Anti-discrimination Bill and if this is not possible then it needs to be addressed in a Bill of Rights for the Australian people.

The public must be involved in the development of public health policies in order to protect the public interest and current policies have been developed without proper public consultation.

Kind regards,

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