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**Subject:** FW: Newsletter 108: The Human Rights Commissioner, Gillian Triggs, Responds

**Importance:** High

Dear Commissioner Triggs,

Thankyou for replying to my letter. It was disappointing that you dismissed the concerns of the community without any attempt to address the issues involved or the questions we are asking. To date there has been no public debate of the development of Australia's vaccination policies yet these policies are enforced on the Australian population - we have a right to be involved in this debate.

You have probably been informed by lobby groups that the University of Wollongong (UOW) is being heavily criticised for awarding me a PhD that critiques the government's vaccination policies. I hope you have also been informed that UOW is standing by my thesis and whilst lobby groups are calling for an investigation of the processes for awarding PhD's, UOW has stated that it will not be investigating my PhD.

Interestingly, my PhD thesis is freely available on the university website and on my own website for public debate, however, Peter McIntyre's (director of the government NCIRS) PhD thesis is not freely available for public debate. His PhD thesis completed in 1995 is titled 'Childhood Invasive Haemophilus Influenza Disease in the Sydney Region..', is not freely available. So whilst my PhD is coming under attack from lobby groups in the media, I have been told that it will cost me \$165 to access his PhD and it will take longer than 4 weeks for me to receive a copy.

Peter McIntyre is responsible for providing advice on vaccination policy to the government and I believe his research should be freely available for public scrutiny and debate. This is a public health policy that results in life or death decisions and affects our quality of life. If the evidence is there to support these policies it should be freely available for debate.

Here is the reply that I sent to many concerned community members today after receiving your letter. Again I hope that you will take the time to read it and *investigate these issues* and act on behalf of the Australian public that you serve.

Yours Sincerely,  
Dr. Judy Wilyman