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Dear Federal Candidate

The Australian Medical Professionals Society (AMPS) is an industrial association whose principal purpose is to protect and promote the interests of our members and their patients. AMPS, together with Red Union, represents over 17,000 frontline workers across the country. We are seeking your views on health care and regulation in Australia.

We are a society of Medical Professionals fully committed to defending our oath to do no harm. We believe we have a duty of care to our patients and society regardless of the political public health messaging of the day.

1. **Will you demand that the “Science” used to justify the Public Health Orders be made available and transparent?** As Health Professionals, our members are deeply concerned by the lack of access to source data used to justify the Public Health Orders. We believe mandates are an unjustifiable overreach, with the risks outweighing the benefits and negatively impacting Australia’s health, social and economic systems. To restore trust in our institutions we need representatives that seek scientific truth through frontline engagement ¹.
2. **Will you commit to halting the roll out of these gene-based vaccines, especially for children, pending a full independent safety review?** To ensure we provide evidence based best practice we rely on peer-reviewed research. There are serious safety signals being identified, including increase in all cause mortality data indicating greater risk than benefit from our current public health response to COVID ²³.
3. **Will you ensure Australian laws and the sovereignty of the Australian people is not overridden by international bodies like the WHO?** Our members have raised concerns about increasing international influence in domestic decision making ⁴. All health and emergency policy decisions must stay in Australia with frontline professionals involved in all emergency decision-making. All policy and legislative requirements in an emergency shall conform to the Siracusa Principles and Australian law irrespective of claims to “states of emergency”. Our frontline professionals are best placed to provide the objective data, evidence and experience required to determine best practice guidelines not unelected international bureaucrats.
4. **Will you support a Royal Commission into how Australia’s governments have handled the COVID-19 pandemic?** Like any decision, we need to understand the impacts from a fulsome perspective, factoring in total individual and community

¹ [Letter-to-ATAGI-TGA-FedHealth-8MarchFINALsignatures2.pdf \(covidmedicalnetwork.com\)](#)

² [Updated Peer Reviewed medical papers submitted to various medical \(covidmedicalnetwork.com\)](#)

³ [Provisional Mortality Statistics, January 2022 | Australian Bureau of Statistics \(abs.gov.au\)](#)

⁴ [International Health Regulations \(2005\) Third Edition \(who.int\)](#)

health - so the same mistakes are not repeated. There are other considerations beyond just protecting physical health from a mild-moderate airborne respiratory virus ⁵. It is vital to assess the collateral damage to mental health from isolation and lockdowns, physical health from delayed prevention and early intervention, delayed surgery, child development, family and domestic violence, financial wellbeing, business capital, career impacts, and relational wellbeing. To regain trust in Australia's institutions, the Public must see that decision making is rational, scientific and effective, not based in panic, fear and coercion.

5. **Will you commit to ensuring the paramount freedom of Health Professionals to publicly debate science and objective data for the purpose of advocating for the rights of their patients through demanding the retraction of the AHPRA gag order silencing health professionals?** Our members are extremely concerned about the unprecedented gagging of Health Professionals using the threat of career ending disciplinary action. A review of the Health Practitioners Regulation Act 2009 is critical. Unexamined orthodoxy and coercion are anti-scientific.
6. **Will you commit to a full review of the conflicts of interest in our regulatory system, the TGA, ATAGI, and AHRPA?** The Public must have confidence their health care system is free from actual or potential corruption by powerful outside influence. We want to be confident the science our governments rely on is not an illusion created by powerful corporate interests.
7. **Will you commit to engaging with the frontline about the investment and management requirements for our Health system?** Our frontline professionals have a great understanding of needs and solutions. Throughout Australia our Health systems are in crisis and a review and restructure is needed.

It is difficult as medical professionals to understand the risk/benefit analysis underlying the persisting State of Emergencies and attendant mandates. It is apparent that these questions are not asked, much less answered. AMPS questions the "Science" and "Health advice" justifying mandate decisions which still remain hidden by Chief Health Officers and Health Ministers across the country. These decrees have been used to breach valid informed consent and our Codes of Conduct, implement 'no jab no job' mandates and exclusion policies, and financially and socially coerce people into participating in a provisionally approved medical treatment with questionable benefits and expanding risks. A Royal Commission is necessary, as outlined in a recent senate report ⁶, with measurable outcomes, not hollow symbolism. This is especially important as frustrations mount over attempts to access information on government decisions and the expanding influence of international influences.

The role of the TGA is to ensure the benefits of any medicine outweigh the risk to the people. The government Doherty report outlined, *inclusion of 12 – 15-year-olds in the vaccine rollout as an early priority group would not materially change the expected overall health outcomes at each key vaccination threshold* ⁷. Additionally, the CEO of Pfizer stated the first two vaccines provide little if any protection against Omicron on January 12 ⁸, two days after they were rolled out to kids aged 5-11, how can this be of any benefit? As outlined in the AVN Federal court case, there is no genotoxicity or carcinogenicity data, no long term data, no understanding of the impacts on fertility, evidence suggesting there may be damage to DNA repair mechanisms,

⁵ [Coronavirus \(who.int\)](https://www.who.int)

⁶ [Covid-19: Royal commission required to avoid Morrison Government mistakes \(theaustralian.com.au\)](https://www.theaustralian.com.au)

⁷ [DohertyModelling_NationalPlan_including_adendum.pdf](#)

⁸ [Pfizer CEO says two vaccine doses provide 'limited protection, if any' against Omicron | news.com.au — Australia's leading news site](https://www.news.com.au)

questions around mRNA integrity, evidence of Pfizer trial fraud and now expanding adverse events including death for a virus children are at extremely low risk from. The evidence available suggests these injections are all risk and NO benefit to children and should be immediately suspended pending a full safety investigation ⁹.

The medical frontline must be permitted to engage in Public Health policy debate as was recommended by both the Australian Health Management Plan for Pandemic Influenza 2019 (AHMPPI) ¹⁰ and outlined in the Australian Health Sector Emergency Response plan for Novel Coronavirus ¹¹ executive summary; the key nationally agreed document to guide Australia's response. These documents highlight the importance of consultation and evidence based decision-making.

Instead, Australian Health Professionals have been silenced, under the threat of investigation and disciplinary action. Position statements by our regulatory body AHPRA the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency and the medical boards state *"Any promotion of anti-vaccination statements or health advice which contradicts the best available scientific evidence or seeks to actively undermine the national immunisation campaign (including via social media) is not supported by National Boards and may be in breach of the codes of conduct and subject to investigation and possible regulatory action"*.

The plain threat woven into this policy is outlined by the Medical Indemnity Professional Society (MIPS) saying *"Be very careful when using social media (even on your personal pages), when authoring papers or when appearing in interviews. Health practitioners are obliged to ensure their views are consistent with public health messaging. This is particularly relevant in current times. Views expressed which may be consistent with evidence-based material may not necessarily be consistent with public health messaging ¹²."*

Our members feel this is an unprecedented overreach from our regulatory authority. Enforcing compliance is in direct conflict with our oath to do no harm and in breach of the good medical practice code of conduct to make the care of our patients the primary concern. Safe medical practice and policy can only be found in an environment of open and transparent evidence based scientific discourse. Denying medical professionals the right to participate in the public square of ideas is a political weapon designed to control public discourse. **We cannot in good conscience support any candidate that believes health professionals should be unquestioning enforcers of government policy!**

Censoring of our medical frontline by AHPRA during an emergency is not in the best interests of Australians. As case reports of severe adverse events from these experimental gene-based vaccines continue to mount, we are seeing an escalating distrust of government, institutions and the medical field as a whole. The science has moved on and there are now grave concerns about poor safety and efficacy of the experimental gene-based vaccines, yet government policy does not appear to be "following the science", and is instead adhering to a narrative from early 2021.

AMPS is seeking political representatives that demand **Transparency**: We require representatives that ensure health policy is supported by the "best" available emerging scientific evidence, which is objective, accurate and up-to-date. The ability for the frontline to debate public policy directives without the threat of disciplinary action by regulators is essential.

We need representatives that allow **Doctors to be Doctors**: That AHPRA cease invading the sacred doctor-patient relationship, by ending its threat of disciplinary action if practitioners do

⁹ [Letter-to-ATAGI-TGA-FedHealth-8MarchFINALsignatures2.pdf \(covidmedicalnetwork.com\)](#)

¹⁰ [w-AHMPPI-2019.PDF \(health.gov.au\)](#)

¹¹ [Australian Health Sector Emergency Response Plan for Novel Coronavirus 2019 FINAL](#)

¹² [12 Commandments to avoid AHPRA notifications | Medical \(mips.com.au\)](#)

not adhere to a policy narrative representing a single prescribed interpretation of the scientific evidence. Enforcement is not a consensus.

We also want government representatives to **Roll back mission creep**: we believe regulatory bodies should cease monitoring health practitioners's personal social media accounts. We believe all members of the public should be free to voice their personal opinions on any topic. Medical professionals are entitled to hold and express views in the public arena. Restricting free speech is beyond AHPRA's remit.

Furthermore, as you should be aware by now, the ongoing COVID State of Emergency is revealing the tragic state of our public health sector. The pressure on our members and the public is at breaking point.

The delivery of essential services is supposed to be one of the key priorities of governments. Australia's social and economic systems are greatly impacted by the health and wellbeing of all citizens. AMPS understands what we are witnessing across the country is the catastrophic failure of investment and management in the Australian healthcare system.

The neglect of our healthcare system cannot continue. Australians are already dying waiting for treatment, rural hospitals are without doctors, rural patients wait up to 12 weeks to see a GP, women are delivering babies on the side of the road, maternity wards closed impacting maternal and infant health, people waiting hours for emergency ambulance transport and waiting years for elective surgery and dental care on waiting lists for the waiting lists.

Our politicians must do better for their constituencies. We respectfully demand transparency, trustworthiness and accountability from our elected representatives. AMPS requests a seat at the table of public health engagement, free from government censorship and control. The health and wellbeing of our nation is at a critical junction and our future social and economic prosperity depends on good governance.

Thank you for considering our position, we are passionate about restoring faith in the promise of medicine.

We look forward to your response.

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