Technical Alert

Public consultation paper:
Reforms to the complementary medicines framework in Australia

Dear member,

The TGA has published its consultation paper addressing a number of the recommendations from the Medicines and Medical Devices Regulation (MMDR) Review.
Consultation: Reforms to the regulatory framework for complementary medicines: Assessment pathways The consultation period is open for 6 weeks with a closing date for submission to the TGA, the **28 March 2017**.

CMA encourages all members to read the paper and provide the TGA with a response within the consultation period. Please note that due to the tight timeframes associated with legislative changes required for implementation, the TGA will not accept any submissions past the due date. The consultation paper focuses on the following set of MMDR recommendations, each of which were supported by Government.

a. Recommendation 38: The development of a three-tiered risk-based framework for the regulation of complementary medicines.
b. Recommendation 39: The development of a list of permitted indications which must be used by the lowest risk complementary medicines.
c. Recommendation 45: Allow sponsors to claim their medicine has been assessed for efficacy where it has undergone TGA pre-market assessment.
d. Recommendation 50: Mechanisms to incentivise innovation for the complementary medicines sector.

Additional recommendations relating to complementary medicines will be subject to further consultation in 2017.

CMA will be providing a comprehensive submission to Government, if you would like to share a copy of your company's response with the CMA, please provide it to submissions@cmaustralia.org.au before the **28 March 2017.**

Member Resources:
Summary of the Sansom Review to Complementary Medicines
Government Response to the Review of Medicines Regulation – CMA Summary

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