

**INQUIRY INTO OFF-PROTOCOL PRESCRIBING OF
CHEMOTHERAPY IN NSW**

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dear sir/madam

i am replying to the article in the LEADER from 5-10-2016 about dr,phadke my name is fred hanssens and been a patient of dr kiran phadke since 10-1-2013. after being diagnosed of a tumor by dr in 2012 he send me to dr phadke in sutherland hospital ,whom after seeing the xray of my left arm and diagnosed as MYELOMA and he made an appointment to see prof in st george hospital whom i did see on 18-1-2013 between prof L and prof my arm was plastered had radiotherapy and operated on in jan-feb 2013 ,than back to dr PHADKE and started my chemotherapy on the 2-4-2013,, of VALCADE-DEXAMETHASONE, for about 11 months in suth hospital whereas my quantitation [bad protein] came down from 86 to 25 .i was told than to have a rest from chemo ,after about 4-5 months my myeloma came back in begin 2014 to 84 bad protein ;he put me on a chemo for 6 weeks, but found the results were the white cells were winning,,so after a blood transfusion ,dr padke made me have a heart test,before putting me on THALOMID in feb 2015 for 8 months untill 8-12-15 my bad protein was down to 7 , from 84 ..so that thalomid was the best chemo sofar ,and since dec 15 untill now 8-10-2016 my bad protein has only raised to 11 so as u can see from my letter i am full of praise for my team of 4 doctors especially dr KIRAN PHADKE who knew what to do and started the ball rolling,i never had any daubts about dr PHADKE trying to do the best he could for me,i know myeloma can,t be cured fully yet,but i am convinced in dr PHADKE ability to treat me for many years to come !
thank you,

fred hanssens

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