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INQUIRY INTO OFF-PROTOCOL PRESCRIBING OF CHEMOTHERAPY IN NSW

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The Director,
Select Committee on Off-Protocol
Prescribing of Chemotherapy in NSW,
Parliament House,
Macquarie Street,
Sydney NSW 2000

Dear Sir.

Re Off-Protocol Prescribing of Chemotherapy and Efficacy of Electronic Prescribing Systems

I have been a patient of Dr Kiran Phadke for over 15 years requiring regular blood checks and treatment from time to time for a myeloproliferative disorder, Polycythaemia Rubra Vera, which treatment consists of a chemotherapy drug and/or venesection.

His prescribed treatments have always been successful with little or no side effects. I have every confidence in Dr Phadke's excellent clinical judgment of when treatment is needed, which drug to use, dosage and how long treatment is required and/or the need for venesection (performed at Sutherland Hospital) and how many. On occasion the drug used has had to be adjusted or changed to another drug depending on efficacy and this has always been successful in managing my condition. I highly value Dr Phadke's extremely personable manner, his continued monitoring and expert care, always with my best interests in mind, without which I would not be leading a healthy and very active life.

I would have no hesitation recommending Dr. Phadke to anyone.

Sincerely yours,

Doreen Monti