INQUIRY INTO IMPACT OF THE REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR CANNABIS IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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Dear Chairperson,

I've worked as a neurologist for 15 years and my practice is based in regional NSW. I see many patients with symptoms which prove too difficult to manage with prescription medications. A major issue we face in neurology is the negative impact of some of our traditional prescription medications including opiate addiction, confusion in the elderly and some simply do not work.

Fortunately, the controlled use of cannabis products has proved extremely helpful in the following situations: chronic pain, anxiety, tremor, childhood epilepsy and insomnia.

To have the option of cannabis more freely and widely available would be hugely beneficial to all concerned. My patients have found it life changing.

Kind regards,

Neurologist