

# Queensland Therapeutic Goods Bill 2019

## Pharmaceutical Society of Australia - submission

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### Purpose of this submission

The Pharmaceutical Society of Australia (PSA) makes this submission to the State Development, Natural Resources and Agricultural Industry Development Committee on the *Therapeutic Goods Bill 2019*.

### About PSA

PSA is the only Australian Government-recognised peak national professional pharmacy organisation representing all of Australia's 31,000 pharmacists working in all sectors and across all locations.

PSA is committed to supporting pharmacists in helping Australians to access quality, safe, equitable, efficient and effective health care. PSA believes the expertise of pharmacists can be better utilised to address the health care needs of all Australians.

PSA works to identify, unlock and advance opportunities for pharmacists to realise their full potential, to be appropriately recognised and fairly remunerated.

PSA has a strong and engaged membership base that provides high-quality health care and are the custodians for safe and effective medicine use for the Australian community.

PSA leads and supports innovative and evidence-based healthcare service delivery by pharmacists. PSA provides high-quality practitioner development and practice support to pharmacists and is the custodian of the professional practice standards and guidelines to ensure quality and integrity in the practice of pharmacy.

### General comments

PSA supports the proposed *Therapeutic Goods Bill 2019* to adopt the *Therapeutic Good Act 1989 (Cth)* and its related laws as laws in Queensland. Adopting the Commonwealth Act as law in Queensland ensures national regulatory control apply consistently to Queensland-based manufacturers of therapeutic goods and reduces regulatory burden.

PSA would be happy to assist with other profession-specific matters such as impact on the professional practice of pharmacists as custodians of medicines and poisons, and consideration around implementation.

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