

**SUBMISSION: Health and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2021**

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**RE: Amendment of s 282 (Surgical operations and medical treatment)  
Amendment of s 319A (Termination of pregnancy performed by unqualified person)**

I understand students need to learn how to perform medical tasks but I have concerns that under qualified people will be given powers to administer abortions.

**RE: Amendment of sch 1 (Exclusions relating to environmental nuisance or environmental harm)**

I tried looking at the previous Environmental Act 1994 but don't understand what this even means.

**RE: Amendment of Termination of Pregnancy Act 2018**

As stated above I think the lack of fully qualified medical personnel performing abortions is too risky.

**RE: Amendment of s 36M (Disclosure of information—RCA team member or relevant person)**

Doubling the penalty units to 100 is excessive.

**RE: Section 36M(3)**

This legislation seems to me be there for a reason I would think to keep some transparency and should be kept.

**RE: Amendment of s 36N (Disclosure of information—commissioning authority or relevant person)**

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**RE: Section 36N(9)**

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**RE: Amendment of s 36P (Giving of copy of RCA report—medical director)**

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**RE: Replacement of ss 49 and 49A**

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**RE: Amendment of s 50D (Definitions for div 1)**

Designated officer should be kept and not designated person, a designated person could be anybody who is given too much power and does not have the expertise or knowledge of a designated officer.

**RE: Replacement of s 50E (Disclosure required or permitted by law)**

Wording should stay the same "other law" shouldn't be omitted.

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**capacity to consent**, in relation to a child, means the child is of sufficient age, and mental and emotional maturity, to understand the nature of consenting to the disclosure of confidential information

**I strongly oppose the capacity to consent for children in this current climate particularly with the new covid 19 vaccines.**

The reasons are:

The government's own vaccination policy says that the efficacy and data safety are not available.

<https://www.health.gov.au/sites/default/files/documents/2020/12/covid-19-vaccination-australian-covid-19-vaccination-policy.pdf>

There are numerous reports on the [www.tga.gov.au](http://www.tga.gov.au) site of the adverse effects of these trial vaccines.

I have heard many stories first hand from people about the negative effects of these vaccines that don't even work.

Children like many adults don't have the time to research information they need to make informed choices. I believe these vaccines will harm the children like they are the adults. People are also not being given the right information to make a choice and many don't have a choice anyway to keep their jobs.

**RE: Replacement of s 50H (Disclosure of confidential information for care or treatment of person)**

Due to privacy the previous rules should remain the same otherwise this confidential info given to the wrong people could make people more vulnerable.

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These laws should remain the same, public privacy and confidentiality and safety is at risk.

**RE: Insertion of new s 50IA**

I wonder who will get this information, who will you pass this information on to, this is unnecessary.

**RE: Insertion of new ss 50KA–50KC**

**& 50L Disclosure to Commonwealth, another State, or Commonwealth or State entity**

**Amendment of s 50P (Disclosure is authorised by chief executive**

**Amendment of s 50Q (Necessary or incidental disclosure)**

**Application of this division to former designated officers**

So how much of Australians private data will be given to third parties, just seems like extra surveillance and unnecessary.

**RE: Division 9 Transitional provisions for Health and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2021**

Designated person, these rules give anyone open slather to confidential information.

**RE: Amendment of Hospital and Health Boards Act 2011**  
**From: Amendment of s 139 (Definitions for pt 7)**  
**To: Amendment of sch 2 (Dictionary)**

Health practitioner definitely should NOT be replaced by professional, anyone could be called professional.

**RE: Amendment of s 38 (Action before exercising powers)**

This change to use public sector rather than public health service suggest anyone could be held anywhere.

**RE: Amendment of s 116 (Decision about unsoundness of mind and diminished responsibility)**  
**17A Substantial dispute about fact relied on in expert report**  
**Amendment of s 118 (Decision about fitness for trial)**  
**157A Admissibility of expert's report in proceeding before Magistrates Court**

Does this diminish the role of the Mental Health Court, does this give power to 'others' to make decisions.

I didn't get time to read all of it.