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Competition Policy Review Final Report Submission by the Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority

The Tasmanian Pharmacy Authority (TPA)is responsible, by virtue of the (Tasmanian) Pharmacy Control Act 2001, for the regulation of pharmacy ownership and the registration of pharmacy business premises in Tasmania (excluding those within government-operated hospital facilities).

The TPA has reviewed relevant sections of the Competition Policy Review Final Report, and has also discussed it with our interstate counterparts, although responsibilities vary between states and territories. It is noted that, unlike our NSW colleagues, the TPA is not responsible for complaints made against pharmacists, and the TPA refers such matters to AHPRA and the Pharmacy Board of Australia.

Rather than make a separate submission on the Competition Policy Review, the TPA resolved that it broadly endorsed the principles and comments made by the Pharmacy Council of New South Wale in its submission, as it clearly and succinctly covers the salient points.

Yours sincerely

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