## Inquiry into Hepatitis C in Australia Submission 6

'LEGALON' to be incorporated in the PBS

Trials for its australian clinical test to be ordered immediately

## THE TAX ON IT BE REMOVED IMMEDIATELY

All approvals for Legalon to be fast tracked

All forms of investigation into the newly announced Soviet produced anti viral drug to be ordered immediately

These instructions are required as SOFOSBUVIR is unavailable to most australians

Legalon has long passed foreign approvals as a clinically trialled drug

Currently Legalon costs \$40.00 for a twenty day supply from the pharmacist on prescription from a doctor, + GST

A reply of confirmation of receipt is requested

## PETER TANCZOS

post script - Gilead corporation seems to have a discounting process for sofosbuvir, that is not publicly known, ascertain their process and attitude and pass that information on to all organisations that supply information to HEPATITIS C VICTIMS

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The cost to sick people in rural areas due to lack of teleconferencing is huge and could be enormously reduced by installation of facilities. This is no longer rocket science, nor are the costs prohibitive. The cost of fuel, accommodation, wear and tear on people, food, all are extracted from folk, who may be on low incomes, the well off have no way of circumventing these costs either. Options that do not actually require the body to be present, are able to be made accessible, a non vested interest committee, could ascertain these circumstances, where for no medical reason is a person forced to attend in person, where in actual fact, they need not. The medicare guidelines will need to be altered, perhaps rural folk can be treated remotely, and the qualified practioner will attract medicare fees, because they have actually provided a medical service.

Regards the monopoly specialists in the treatment of hepatitis C hold, is unconscionable. The GP,s in australia are quite capable of carrying out monitoring requirements, once treatment has commenced. Until these monopolies are challenged as scientifically viable to be challenged, or vendors of the use of monopolies are required to prove they are the only capable practitioners, the blindfolding of the establishment will be maintained, at higher costs to the taxpayer than are strictly scientifically required. Co-management, NOT EXCLUSIVE MANAGEMENT