

## 2024 amendments to the International Health Regulations 2005

I oppose in full the 2024 International Health Regulations for the reasons given in this feedback hereunder.

- I am concerned about the new definition of relevant health products: “means those health products needed to respond to public health emergencies of international concern, including pandemic emergencies, which may include medicines, vaccines, diagnostics, medical devices, vector control products, personal protective equipment, decontamination products, assistive products, antidotes, cell- and gene-based therapies, and other health technologies;” this only lists products produced by pharmaceutical companies, many of whom are in private public partnerships with the WHO. The definition fails to list vitamins, minerals, herbs or lifestyle recommendations. This is a concern where “the WHO shall facilitate, and work to remove barriers to, timely and equitable access by States Parties to relevant health products after the determination of and during a public health emergency of international concern, including a pandemic emergency, based on public health risks and needs.” Articles 1 and 13. I choose to maintain my right to decide what is right for me and my family not some organisation that is funded by public/private partnerships which is a recipe for corruption and undermines its independence.
- It is for Australia to retain its decision-making power on whether health measures are suitable for its citizens. It is not for some unelected organisation to dictate what Australia must implement, it must be Australia’s decision to decide what is suitable and appropriate to Australia. See Article 42 related to Articles 15 and 16 (re Temporary and Standing Recommendations Respectively). The WHO should have no power over health products or health technologies and know-how, including defining what a person or country is required to take, receive or use, or what they can’t take, receive or use. Article 1. The WHO must remain an advisory body only and I will always maintain my right to decide what is right for me and my family.
- The 2024 IHRs outlines countries censor their citizens by “addressing misinformation and disinformation”. This will be extended to censoring scientific debate. Annex 1. We have already seen attempts this year by the Australian government to introduce the Combatting Misinformation and Disinformation Bill, which did not pass. Australian’s do not consent to being censored in any way not now not ever.
- The World Health Organisation has presided over perhaps the biggest health catastrophe in world history, rolling out barely tested experimental treatments that were never vaccines. Australians have discovered this mismanagement observing that the vaccinated succumb to COVID at higher rates than the unvaccinated, (world-leading UK data) and that seriously elevated excess deaths across Western countries in recent years are seen in the vaccinated rather than the unvaccinated. Why would anyone want to trust the WHO in any form or for any reason again.

“Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter” Martin Luther King, Jr.

No convincing case for these reforms has been proposed. The proposals should be abandoned.

Australia must expressly reject the 2024 IHRs by or before 19 July 2025 and I trust that the Joint Standing Committee on Treaties will make that recommendation.

Yours sincerely  
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