

REGARDING THE PROPOSED LEGISLATION FOR CHANGES TO MATERNITY CARE IN AUSTRALIA -

IMPACT STATEMENT PROVIDED BY: Dr. Margaret Peck.

MY STATEMENT IS AS FOLLOWS:

I am a chiropractor in private practice working with many pregnant women, families and babies.

In my community there is a fairly large proportion of women who choose home birth as the birthing option.

I am concerned that women may not be able to continue to make this choice

I am concerned that our local hospital and medical doctors may not be able to meet the full demand.

I am concerned about home births being more marginalized, less supported and possibly more dangerous if forced 'underground'.

SIGNED:

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DATE:

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