

# Medical Representatives to Act

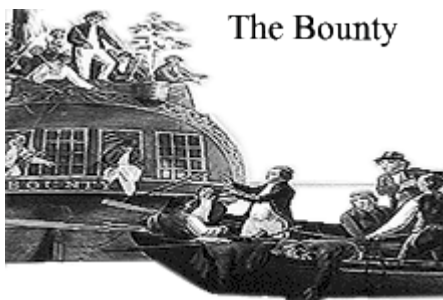
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Myself/ My Practice has been approached to undertake actions directed to limit the scope and activities of AHPRA.

I am aware of unfavourable events which have affected medical practitioners. I know and I am aware of stories that relate to harassment and harm to medical practitioners simply going about their normal business of work in medicine.

I want these activities to stop. I do not believe it is reasonable or just to treat every doctor as recipient of a complaint as guilty. The standard of evidence must be "Beyond Reasonable Doubt", not "Guilty Unless Proven Otherwise". I am particularly concerned where AHPRA and its staff may be breaching laws in its activities. I want any such "officials" punished.

I want doctors harmed or affected by AHPRA activities to be compensated.



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I believe your organisation ( Insert: \_\_\_\_\_ ) needs to be involved in this activity on behalf of its members.

This is a problem that affects everyone and is harming the ability of doctors to deliver care to the community. Doctors are often afraid to undertake activities or treatments that are too easily the subject of complaint. Doctors are becoming unwilling to touch / examine patients. Doctors are unwilling to tell patients things they may not want to hear. Doctors are losing the ability to be honest with people if it touches sensitive, unpopular or polarised subjects. Doctors are becoming afraid of saying "No" to people.

I believe I am paying increasing medical defence premiums to fund excessive and punitive medical investigations. I am not agreeable to this continuing. I do not trust AHPRA to run educational activities to the benefit of medical practitioners.

I intend to discuss these issues with my colleagues.

I intend to look at the political activities promoted on

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**Guvnot.com** lists the many different ways that can help to win this political action.

Your organisation needs to take an active role in this process. I am looking forward to stories emerging about harm caused to doctors as all too often these issues are hidden and not talked about when really they relate to everyone. These need to be publicized.

Signed

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**Send this letter to Your representative Organisations**

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