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ACCREDITATION STANDARDS FOR NATUROPATHY AND WESTERN HERBAL MEDICINE

The AMA is responding to an invitation to make a submission regarding the development of practice, registration and accreditation standards for naturopathy and western herbal medicine in Australia.

As the proposals will have no legal standing and therefore have no formal recognition, the AMA declines to make a submission.

The AMA makes submissions and provides advice regarding registration and accreditation of professional standards only under government endorsed arrangements.

When a board for naturopaths and herbal medicine practitioners is established under the *Health Practitioner Regulation National Law Act 2009*, we would make a submission to that board about practice, registration and accreditation standards for those practitioners.

Yours sincerely

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