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To whom this may concern.

I have seen more and more information coming from the US about the extremely harmful nature of psychiatric drugs. I have seen the results of these drugs in friends and colleagues.

Now in the US, all major antidepressants have a black box warning saying that these drugs can cause suicide and psychotic events. I went and looked in MIMS to verify this and found it is true according to specific drug company research results.

Clinical trials on these drugs were no longer than 8 weeks in most cases. This is a nightmare, the drug companies are risking thousands of lives. None of these drugs cure anything, all of them have horrific side effects. The doctors and psychiatrists who peddle these substances are all in some way on the pay roll from the drug companies. This is fraud and it is killing innocent public.

How long can the government support this so called 'therapy.' All the efficacy reports I've read regarding these drugs say that they do not cure mental illness, they only 'manage' it. Yet the reality is that they appear to be no different to street drugs in their nullifying effect on patient's minds. They just blanket the mental illness and as soon as the person stops taking the drug they are faced with the same problems now exacerbated by the drug.

Drug companies report great results for the drugs that they are selling (funny that). They also give away a lot of money to any so called expert who backs the cause. Results are skewed by those who stand to gain from selling these drugs.

There are no independent commissions: any previously established take the word of "experts" who are on the pay roll. The TGA is directly under the control of certain pharmaceutical companies and has company reps on their advisory boards. The TGA has been compromised and should not be trusted to judge whether these substances are safe.

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