



## HSRAANZ Webinar Series – The long road to pharmacy reform in Australia.

Presenter - Dr Stephen P King, Productivity Commission

**Tuesday 2 July 2019 at 11:00am Sydney, Melbourne, Canberra**

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The Webinar will be about 1 hour including time for Q and A.

### **Abstract:**

The 2017 Review of Pharmacy Remuneration and Regulation provided a comprehensive roadmap for reform in the supply of medicines to Australian consumers. The Report took almost two years to complete and presented over 40 recommendations to government. Most recommendations were agreed unanimously by a panel that included a consumer representative and a Pharmacy Guild member. They offer benefits to consumers and value-for-money for taxpayers. In this webinar, the Chair of the Review will discuss the need for reform and the options presented by the Review. As the Commonwealth Government and the Pharmacy Guild commence negotiations on the Seventh Community Pharmacy Agreement, it is important that these recommendations form the foundations of that Agreement.

### **Biography:**

Stephen King is a Commissioner at Australia's Productivity Commission and an adjunct Professor at Monash University. He was Chair of the independent review of Pharmacy Remuneration and Regulation, released by the Commonwealth Government in 2018.

Prior to joining the Productivity Commission in July 2016, Stephen was a Member of the Western Australian Economic Regulation Authority, a Member of the National Competition Council and Professor of Economics at Monash University.

Professor King was Dean of the Faculty of Economics and Business at Monash University from 2009 to 2011 and was a Member of the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission from 2004 to 2009.

Stephen has researched and published widely in competition economics, regulation and industrial organization. He has advised numerous government agencies and private businesses and has provided expert testimony to the courts on regulation and competition economics. Currently, he is presiding Commissioner on the Productivity Commission Inquiry into Mental Health.

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