

26 Conditions imposed on the Medical Registration of Dr Philip Nitschke by the Medical Board of Australia

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- **The practitioner will not:**

1. practise medicine outside the Northern Territory of Australia (NT).

For the purpose of these conditions, the practice of medicine means any role, whether remunerated or not, in which the individual uses their skills and knowledge as a medical practitioner in their profession. It is not restricted to the provision of direct clinical care and includes using knowledge and skills of a medical professional in a direct nonclinical relationship with clients, working in management, administration, education, research, advisory, regulatory or policy development roles, and any other roles that impact on safe, effective delivery of services in the medical profession.

2. practise as a medical practitioner from a location which has not been approved in writing by the Board.

3. consult with or treat, including writing prescriptions, any person who is not located in the NT at the time of that consultation or treatment.

4. practise medicine where that practice is not the subject of appropriate indemnity insurance and indemnity arrangements.

5. fail to comply with any conditions imposed under his insurance and indemnity arrangements.

6. prescribe, supply or administer a barbiturate, benzodiazepine class medication or opiates without such being authorised in writing by a palliative care physician.

7. prescribe medication for himself, immediate family or friends and will provide the Board with the full name and date of birth of all members of my immediate family within 14 days of the imposition of these conditions.

For the purposes of these conditions “immediate family” includes grandparents, parents, siblings, children and grandchildren. Immediate family also includes the spouses (including de facto spouses) of the listed relatives and ‘step’ and ‘half’ relatives.

8. import or seek to import any medication that would require notification to, or authorisation from, the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA).

9. provide advice or information to any patient or member of the public, including via workshops, the Peaceful Pill Handbook or e-Handbook (the PP Handbook), videos or on-line forums, on Nembutal including:

- where and how to source Nembutal and how to evade the authorities in so doing
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- how to test Nembutal for purity
- how to manufacture Nembutal
- the shelf life of Nembutal
- how to convert liquid Nembutal to crystals or vice versa
- how to use Nembutal as an end of life choice, including the necessary dosage and various effects, and
- ensuring that members of the public keep Nembutal well hidden from the police or other authorities

10. provide advice or information to any patient or member of the public (including via workshops, the PP Handbook, videos or on-line forums) on how to suicide including:

- how to use Nembutal, the necessary dosage and various effects
- the Hypoxic Death method, instructions on how to make or use an 'exit bag', the use of nitrogen or hydrogen, gas flow control and the suitability of a person or persons for this suicide method
- the Reliability and Peacefulness Test (RP Test), and
- how to subvert the findings of authorities on cause of death.

11. expressly or impliedly support, endorse or encourage the suicide of any patient or any member of the public who has communicated that intention directly to him.

12. sell or provide test kits or other testing services to any patient or member of the public to test Nembutal for purity.

13. test Nembutal or cause Nembutal to be tested for purity.

14. provide equipment for the manufacture of Nembutal.

15. engage in the manufacture of Nembutal or encourage any patient or member of the public to engage in the manufacture of Nembutal.

16. recommend, sell, deliver or otherwise make available to members of the public cylinders containing nitrogen or any other gas.

The practitioner will:

17. only practise as a medical practitioner under the indirect supervision of a suitably qualified and experienced registered medical practitioner approved by the Board.

18. For the purpose of these conditions, indirect supervision means the supervisor must provide oversight of the medical treatment and decision making of the practitioner during the course of his practice as a medical practitioner.

19. provide a report from his supervisor every three months and within 14 days of any request from the Board or its delegate.

20. remove (and not reinstate) his name from, and any endorsement by the practitioner of, the PP Handbook.

21. remove the videos available on the purchase of the PP Handbook in which he appears and no longer make those videos available to any patient or member of the public

22. communicate clearly, effectively, respectfully and promptly with all other doctors and health care professionals caring for the patient, including communicating all the relevant information in a timely way.

23. maintain clear and accurate medical records in accordance with clause 8.4 of the Medical Board of Australia's Good medical practice: a code of conduct for doctors in Australia.

24. submit to an audit of his medical records with an auditor to be appointed by the Board on a quarterly basis for a period of 24 months at the practitioner's cost

25. in the event that a patient communicates to the practitioner an intention to suicide, refer that person to an appropriate registered health practitioner in a timely manner.

26. in the event that a member of the public communicates directly to the practitioner an intention to suicide, suggest that person contact a registered health practitioner or their local community mental health service.