

# Natural Health & Supplementary Products

Where we are and where we're going

March 2015

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# Why Regulate?

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**To protect consumers**

**To promote trade**

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# The Natural Health and Supplementary Products Bill

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Low risk  
natural health  
products

Light touch  
regime

Inexpensive

Easy to use



# Controls in the Bill

**Product must  
consist only of  
permitted  
ingredients**

**Product must  
be  
manufactured  
by a NHSPRA  
licensed  
manufacturer or  
equivalent**


**Allowable  
claims made  
for the  
product with  
summary of  
evidence**

**The product  
notifier must be  
a resident of NZ**



# Status

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- Reconsidered options now ANZTPA not proceeding
  - Going ahead with separate NHSP scheme
  - Re-establishing a team
  - Enactment this year
  - Commencement 2016
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# Progress

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## Legislation

Amendments

Passage this  
year

Commencement  
2016

## Regulatory detail

Engagement

Consultation

Ready for 2016

## Database

Engagement

Resumption

Live for  
commencement



## Engagement last year

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Broad agreement on most detail:

- Ingredients
  - Claims
  - Evidence
  - Labelling
  - Risk-based Code of Manufacturing Practice
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# Fees

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- Fees to be kept as low as practical
- Cost recovery – fee based on cost of regulator
- Institutional arrangements affect cost



## Compliance costs

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- Compliance costs to be kept as low as practical
  - Code of Manufacturing Practice main compliance cost
  - Controls will be based on risk
  - Example: Lavender cream – low risk, low compliance effort
  - Example: Herbal ear drops – higher risk, higher compliance effort
  - Identify and address risks
  - Not a detailed list of instructions
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## Changes to be made to Bill

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- Re-notification not required if manufacturer changes (domestic)
- Slight change to definition
- Removal of export-only exemption
- Lots of tidying up



## Next steps

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### Legislation

Committee  
Stage

Passage this  
year

Commencement  
2016

### Regulatory detail

Engagement  
June/July 2015

Consultation  
October –  
November 2015

Ready for 2016

### Database

Resumption

Engagement  
2015

Live for  
commencement



## What you need to remember

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- The Government wants the scheme to go ahead
- Export-supporting, with low costs
- Must be palatable to industry
- We'll be talking to you more this year



# Any Questions?

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