



20 December 2022

Our reference: LEX 71049

Mr Rex Banner (Right to Know)

Only by email: foi+request-9691-b71be27c@righttoknow.org.au

Dear Mr Banner

Transfer of your Freedom of Information Request

I refer to your request to Services Australia dated 12 December 2022, for access to documents under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (the FOI Act). You requested access to:

I am writing to request access to the evidence of efficacy of Escitalopram, as required for listing on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS).

I am requesting this information under the Freedom of Information Act.

Please provide all relevant information, including any studies, clinical trials, or other evidence that has been used to evaluate the efficacy of Escitalopram for inclusion on the PBS.

I have determined the subject matter of your request is more closely related to the functions of the Department of Health and Aged Care (DHAC), than Services Australia. For this reason, your request has been transferred to DHAC, in full, pursuant to section 16 of the FOI Act.

DHAC has accepted transfer of this request, and will contact you regarding your request. DHAC can be contacted at FOI@health.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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