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Release – (C)EASE Recommendations

A letter from Homeopathy International (HINT) to all (C)EASE practitioners.

As you may already know, HINT has taken the most robust steps in defending homeopathy, most recently defending CEASE practitioners' right to practise and patients' rights to receive treatment. HINT's complaint over the recent Sunday Times article is currently being investigated by the Independent Press Standards Organisation (IPSO), and you can read more about this on our website: <u>HINT.org.uk</u> We encourage you also to read in the Correspondence section about many of our past actions in which we have achieved significant success.

We are delighted that Ursula Kraus-Harper (Uschi) is now a member of HINT, and that as a longtime experienced CEASE practitioner she has agreed to be our specialist advisor in this area. We have consulted with a number of CEASE practitioners, and found that all of them, Uschi included, are uncomfortable with the name.

You will already be aware that it is illegal under UK law to claim to 'cure'. Spelling out the original acronym 'Complete Elimination' poses, in our opinion a significant legal risk, and in the current climate is a red rag to a bull. Even without the acronym spelled out, the name *CEASE* can itself be easily interpreted as making illegal claims to cure.

HINT does not have the right to instruct non-member practitioners on what they should do, but strongly recommends that you do not use the name *CEASE* but change it instead to *EASE*, which in our opinion could then be safely spelled out as *Easing Autistic Spectrum Expression* should you so wish. There may also be other ideas for a name change, but *EASE* is very close to the original name, and therefore easy to explain and be understood as exactly the same treatment as before, but under a legally safe name.

There was a positive feedback when CEASE practitioners discussed a name change to EASE with Yannick Smits in 2012 and we are concerned that if practitioners don't now take a legally responsible line, draconian limitations may be enforced.

Aside from this recommended name change, we hope that you will wish to support HINT's proactive defence of homeopathy by becoming a member - the more members we have, the stronger our voice becomes. Full details are of course on the website, <u>HINT.org.uk</u>

With warm regards,



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