Productivity Commission SUBMISSION

DEAR SIR/MADAM

I would very much like to make the following points to the Disability care and support inquiry

I have read the preliminary report and I'm still very concerned that the matter of services available to the AMPUTEE section of the Australian community is still not being addressed as it should be.

Are these the same cowboy's who are supposed to look after our best interests, - ways to improve our lives – yet continually state that they would love to help us, but their hands are tied because there is no money, or they item has not made it onto the "approved" list ????????.

Perhaps you could remind these mendacious lickspittle that governments are funding depression, obesity, diabetes campaigns – all side effects of living with sub-standard parts; and yet, "there is no money available" for us – maybe if they got off their arses, remembered the Hippocratic oath that they supposedly took.

Personally I have suffered severe depression, frustration and anger, from being "treated" with such disregard. I can no longer walk due to the incompatibility of the prosthetic I have been assigned, so the Catch 22 of anger, depression and frustration deepens – and STILL NOTHING IS DONE.

Yet there are prosthetic appliances available [if you have the cash], which would alleviate these symptoms; but as you already know, they are not on the approved list – nor is there any research being done to see how these prosthetics actually work AND heal broken spirits and give renewed hope that life can be fun again. The deafening silence that resonates from those supposedly looking after our welfare sickens me beyond belief – they are disgraces not only to themselves, their families, careers, and whatever education system they supposedly graduated from,

THEY ARE A DISGRACE TO LIFE ITSELF

The abhorrent way that they casually assign sub-standard, and second rate products, and service is a reflection of their arrogance, conceit, complete lack of integrity and moral fibre – you would be well advised to ask these buffoons how they would like to be treated as we are by them !!!!.

Why is the symbiotech XT9 knee, [and the associated feet, needed to couple it], completely ignored and disregarded ??????

Why are people who can give exemplary feedback continually ignored ???.

As an elite sportsman prior to my amputation, with 35+ years surfing and 25+ years alpine skiing, I have more than abundant ability to give unbiased feedback on these

appliances – if they work, to what level, and how well; conversely if they don't work, precisely why and where they fail.

For the last two years these fatuous, flatulent, vapid lickspittle have ignored my requests for help and assistance; AND still nothing has been done. They no doubt still get paid, enjoy the odd snifter of sherry and nibble of foie gras, whilst fiddling with their ever growing bowtie collection.

What will they bring to the table this year ???,
more tales of : we'd love to help you, but are hands are tied
unfortunately, it's not on the approved list
there's just not enough money available to help you

Please make these cretins bring something of value to the table this time. No more empty promises.

Let's see action, let's see who cares

Make them work FOR us, make them earn their keep [it's not a sinecure]

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