

HOMŒOPATHY to the rescue

Dear Readers,

Life can be stressful. Moving house, divorcing (or marrying!), the death of a loved one, a global financial crisis, natural disasters or even just getting the kids to school on time are all crises that affect us at one time or another.

While most of the time we are able to bounce back without lasting negative effects, we all know someone who traces changes in their health back to stressful triggers like these.

Increasingly, scientists are discovering strong links between states of stress and disease. There are many diseases that may even be considered to have a causative link to stress in some individuals. Shingles, skin eruptions, elevated blood pressure, headaches, muscle pain, anxiety and even some dental problems may potentially make a therapist suspicious of increased stress and its negative effect on the body.

This works in the reverse direction also: a major cause of stress for many individuals is the constant grind of poor health. As people look for tools to assist them to navigate the challenges of life, there is an increasing demand and awareness of methods that recognise the intrinsic link between the mind and the body.

Many Australians look to natural therapies that recognise this mind-body connection as an important part of their healthcare regime. By seeking to understand and address these underlying causes of unwellness, many people report increased feelings of

vitality, reduced symptoms and an improved ability to cope and resist the stresses that occur in their life.

Homœopathic treatment is based on the premise that our minds and bodies are fundamentally linked and disease in one is often reflected by disease in the other. A professional homœopathic consultation involves the practitioner working with the client to understand their specific symptoms and disease triggers, then prescribing small doses of naturally occurring substances uniquely tailored to assist the body to trigger its own natural healing mechanisms.

Homeopathy is the second most-used therapy in the world with, according to World Health Organization estimates, around 550 million users. It can be used at any stage of life, in children through to the elderly, and is a uniquely sustainable form of healthcare.

This lift-out contains examples of Australians who have found improved health with the assistance of homœopathic treatment, whether they've experienced a major life event or something much more minor. We invite you to read these stories and consider what stresses in your life may be making you less well than you could be. Perhaps a homœopath is someone who could assist you to find your own increased health and vitality.

GREG COPE, National President, AHA

All you wanted to know

Homæopathy is a natural, gentle, holistic form of medicinal treatment but most people know very little about it. Here's the perfect primer to get you started.

What is homœopathy?

Homeopathy is a holistic system of medicine. It aims to promote healing responses to diseases by administering specially prepared substances that mimic the symptoms of those diseases in healthy people. Modern homeopathy was founded in the 18th century by a German physician, Dr Samuel Hahnemann, and is now used worldwide, with a 200-year history of clinical experience. It is recognised by the World Health Organization as a valid form of healthcare.

In Britain, for example, there are five homoeopathic hospitals available under the National Health Service (NHS), including the London Homoeopathic Hospital, which the Royal Family has used since Queen Victoria's time in 1830.

Homoeopathy is widely accepted across Europe. In France, the most popular cold and flu medicine is a homoeopathic medicine. In India, more than 10,000 doctors use homoeopathic medicines to treat their patients.

How does it work?

The word "homoeopathy" (also known as homeopathy) is derived from the Greek words *homoios*, meaning "similar", and *pathos* or "suffering".



The cornerstone of homoeopathic philosophy is the Law of Similars. This law or principle is based on a long-held belief as far back as Hippocrates, the Father of Medicine, and other ancient healers such as Paracelsus, that substances that produce symptoms in a healthy individual can be used to treat similar symptoms in a sick person. Homoeopathic treatment is believed to stimulate the body's ability to fight infection and susceptibility to disease.

Homœopathic medicines

Homoeopathic medicines are made from a variety of sources, such as plants, animals and minerals. They are prepared according to strict guidelines set out in international pharmacopoeias and under the control of the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA). Homoeopathic medicines are highly diluted and act gently. These medicines can be given in the form of liquid, granules, powder or tablets.

Conditions commonly treated

Homeopathy aims to treat the whole person, taking into account personality, lifestyle and hereditary factors as well as the history of the disease. Since all patients are unique, homeopathic medicines are prescribed to treat patients as individuals. For example, headaches in different patients would each be treated with different medicines, according to the patient's individual symptoms. Homeopathy can be of benefit for all ages, at any stage, including pregnant women, mothers, fathers, babies, young children, teenagers and the elderly.

What to expect during treatment

The first homoeopathic consultation can take an hour or more. Treatment then involves the prescription of the most suitable medicine, matching all the symptoms and individual characteristics of the patient to the medicine. Your practitioner might also advise general lifestyle and dietary changes as part of a treatment plan.

Tell your practitioner about your medications

You should tell your doctor if you are planning to start a course of homœopathic treatment for your condition. Never stop taking conventional drugs without the knowledge and approval of your doctor. You must also tell your homœopath what conventional drugs you are taking.

Choosing a practitioner

If you want to use homoeopathic treatment, you should consult a registered practitioner. All Professional Members of the Australian Homoeopathic Association (AHA) are registered with AROH and are recognised by all the major health insurance funds for rebates on ancillary benefit tables.

Naturopathy and homœopathy

It is important to note that naturopaths are not homoeopaths. Naturopathic training does not meet the government's education standards for homoeopathy, although some naturopaths may have undertaken additional studies to meet these requirements. If a person dispenses homoeopathic medicines it does not necessarily mean they are a fully qualified and registered homoeopath.

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Shock and depression

Homæopathy proved an excellent choice for a traveller suffering emotional trauma.

My client witnessed an explosion in a marketplace while overseas three months earlier. She was physically unharmed but saw the horrific aftermath: dead bodies and people with terrible injuries, including burns and loss of limb.

She recalled walking through blood, feeling shocked and shaken. Later that day she began to shake and, even later, "went numb" and began to "intellectualise it". She noticed she now talked about it coldly.

Since then her sleep hadn't been the same; she relived the scenes and dreams of the explosion. In the mornings she couldn't wake up and felt flat and depressed. She had a feeling of having two personalities: "I pretend I'm OK, but inside I don't feel like me. I'm not OK. I feel broken in half by what I've seen and been through."

Other symptoms were obsessive cleaning and compulsive biting of her nails till they hurt; fear of being alone; sensitivity to light; anxiety from noise; a need to scream and lash out; and private crying. The client's doctor diagnosed "reactionary depression".

In the initial analysis we found that the client's shocked state that began three months prior had not been fully processed, leaving the emotional trauma that sat beneath the shock unhealed and allowing it to worsen into reactionary depression. The first homoeopathic script needed to address this "shock" layer as this was a clear cause of the depression that had ensued. Homoeopathic medicines well known for treating shock were prescribed.

At two weeks follow-up the client reported she had begun to respond within 40 minutes of the first dose. She had felt "woozy" in the head and had needed to rest all day, her thoughts had been busy and she had felt annoyed. One night she had had a sensation as if something was pressing hard on her chest during her sleep and she awoke with a bellowing moan that came from deep, deep within. "It was as if the weight was a block of pain that my chest had wrapped around the explosion, which came up and out," she said.

Within days of this reaction she had begun to notice that she felt "light, happy and bouncy ... normal". She had lots of productive energy; she had stopped biting her nails; the light and noise sensitivity had abated. She noticed that she was speaking about the explosion without distance: "It's like I'm not dragging a ball and chain around any more."

The client continued with homoeopathic treatment and continued to improve after the shock layer had been addressed.

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Post-traumatic anxiety and panic

How homæopathy helped to alleviate one woman's panic attacks and nightmares.

Considered a variant of anxiety disorder, post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) occurs after an individual experiences or witnesses a life-threatening natural or man-made disaster such as an earthquake, a tsunami or the violence of war. Other causative events may be major vehicle accidents or violent personal attacks such as physical or sexual assault.

Those who suffer from PTSD often relive the experience through nightmares and flashbacks, have difficulty sleeping and feel detached or estranged. These symptoms can be severe enough and last long enough to significantly impair the person's daily life.

Yvonne developed similar symptoms of anxiety and panic after she recently witnessed a serious assault. That night she felt sick, was shaking and sweating and found herself "constantly showering" with a strong feeling of being dirty and unclean. She recalls with painful clarity the details of the injuries she had witnessed which still haunted her: "I just can't get that picture out of my head."

In addition to having recurring nightmares in the weeks following the event, Yvonne began to wake in the mornings in a complete state of panic, sweating, shaking and unable to breathe. Sometimes this feeling of panic could last for an hour or two; sometimes it would persist for the whole day. On a bad day she also felt nauseous and suffered from recurrent diarrhoea.

A homoeopathic medicine was prescribed, largely based on Yvonne's unique experience of the event but also taking into account the set of physical signs and symptoms and her strong emotional response. This kind of analysis is sometimes called "symptom matching": matching the distinctive symptoms of the patient to the equally distinctive symptoms of the homoeopathic medicine.

At four weeks follow-up Yvonne said, "I haven't had a nightmare for three weeks now. The anxiety hasn't been as bad. I did have a bit of a panic attack last week on Monday morning but it wasn't a bad one. Now actually everything has settled down well."

At one year follow-up there was no return of panic attacks or nightmares.

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PRACTITIONER LISTINGS

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SUBURB	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	LANDLINE	MOBILE
AINSLIE	Doherty	Jean	02 6257 5430	0427 303 333
BANKS	Hicks	Sylvia		0403 829 313
CURTIN	Hicks	Sylvia		0403 829 313
CURTIN	Lee	Lesley	02 6282 4030	0415 686 485
GRIFFITH	Dendrinos	Gerry	02 6295 6939	0401 300 948

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ACACIA GARDENS	Kalia	Sarita	LANGENTE	0414 860 517
ALEXANDRIA	Turner	Kylie		0403 754 385
ALLAMBIE	Formica	Lee	02 9938 1090	0403 922 531
ANNANDALE ANNANDALE	Coelho Cunneen	Rose Lynette	02 9810 4628	0411 739 063 0403 061 991
ARCADIA	Biddle	Patricia	02 9653 1231	0403 001 991
ARDLETHAN	Pedersen	Carol		0409152040
ARIAHPARK	Pedersen	Carol		0409 152 040
ARTARMON	Manning	Ann		0413 010 050
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BALGOWNIE	Absalom	Sally	02 4285 7140	0415 424 257
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BEACON HILL	Barron	Penelope	02 00/0 0444	0400 473 669
BEGA	Goddard	Sunny		0421 002 717
BEGA	McLean	Mary	02 6492 2222	
BELLAVISTA	Sierra	James	02 8883 2558	0409 661 673
BELLEVUE HILL	Weinstock	Vivienne	02 9363 2788	0414 846 618
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Home invasion

Homœopathy helped a family cope after a break-in at their home.

My clients' home was broken into while the family was asleep and laptops, schoolbags and phones were taken. But that wasn't the worst part of this incident: their teenage daughter, Chloe, was woken by the sounds of someone outside her window whispering to their cat. When she got up to check and opened her bedroom door, she surprised the intruder's partner (who had broken in through the back door) and he shoved her violently against the wall in his dash for the door. She screamed for her parents and both intruders ran, leaving some of their spoils along their escape route.

The police were called and a forensic team came out to look for prints. Chloe was in shock and felt traumatised by this invasion into her privacy; she was even more upset when she had to turn over her clothes for analysis.

This home invasion left the whole family — and Chloe, in particular — feeling insecure, unsafe, vulnerable and exposed. Both parents had problems sleeping. The children reacted in different ways: the two little ones stayed close to their parents or older siblings at home. The older children did not want to be left alone at home and the youngest daughter, Sophie, became afraid of the dark. One of the boys, Andrew, started to check all the doors when leaving the house and before going to bed. Home did not feel like home but like an insecure place for weeks afterward and the memory of the incident will never be forgotten.

Soon after this incident the family came for homoeopathic treatment to help them cope with the effects of shock and trauma. Each family member felt calmer and better able to deal with the situation within hours of taking their homoeopathic medicines.

Treatment continued for a few weeks and the clients were happy to report that everybody had been able to find their balance again.

LEAH ZINN, AHA Professional Member, Bondi Junction and St Ives, NSW

Homæopathy to the rescue

Make homæopathic treatments part of your first-aid box.

Every mother's nightmare is hearing the recognisable scream of her child after he or she falls off the equipment at the playground. Your heart seems to stop a beat as you dash like superwoman to their aid.

My four-year-old boy had clearly done some damage to his arm after falling off the slide — not because of any visible evidence of a break but because he was obviously in a lot of pain. As I prepared to whisk him to the nearest hospital, I gave him a couple of doses of a homoeopathic medicine typically used in such traumatic situations.

The effect was immediate. He calmed down completely, the sobbing stopped and it actually looked like he was OK. I decided to take him to the hospital anyway, just for peace of mind.

The emergency room doctor was a little surprised that the X-ray showed a greenstick fracture, given that my four-year-old appeared to be fine and had not even needed any painkillers. The homœopathic medicine appeared to have really helped. Since then, our homoeopathic first-aid kit comes with us to every sporting

event as our first port of call for sprains, strains, fractures, wounds and other injuries.

We have experienced first hand the benefits of homoeopathic remedies in first-aid situations. Studies also highlight the usefulness of the medicine we used for my son for the initial treatment of trauma, bumps and bruises, and even for assisting with muscle recovery in marathon runners.

LESLEY GREIG, AHA Professional Member, Balgowlah Heights, NSW



All about Thomas

How homæopathic medicines helped to calm an excitable toddler.

This is the case of Thomas, a toddler whose nine months of foetal life were exceptionally traumatic.

Thomas was a very excitable little boy, smiling, laughing and saying "Wow!" again and again. He liked a lot of stimulation, screamed and became red in the face when he wanted something and had major tantrums. He rode his rocking horse as far as it would go, flew over the top of it and then stood up and laughed. He could hit his head but felt no pain. He wouldn't hold hands to walk and ran for the road. At night he took an hour to settle then woke crying every one-and-a-half to two hours.

During her pregnancy, Thomas's mother had debilitating morning sickness, vomiting up to 20 times a day for eight of the nine months. She lost 10 kilos, was in and out of hospital with dehydration and would pass out from weakness. She could only lie in bed; going to the bathroom for a shower was the focus of her day. There was the possibility the pregnancy may have to be terminated. She felt at times that she was dying, that her baby wouldn't survive it all: "Are you just going to let us die? Why isn't someone doing something?" During labour there were signs of foetal distress, with meconium in her waters and a drop in Thomas's heart rate. She was rushed into surgery for an emergency caesarean.

Thomas has benefitted from four homoeopathic medicines given over a period of three months.

At three weeks follow-up he seemed less excited, was talking more and had begun to play with toys or sit with a book. Tantrums were of shorter duration and severity.

At three months follow-up Thomas's vocabulary had increased, he had physically grown and matured, he was noticing other children and interacting with them and he would even feel pain. Tantrums had decreased in duration and severity. He was sleeping through the night and had a two-hour nap in the daytime.

Perhaps homoeopathy has changed Thomas's life. We don't think so much of an infant as having post-traumatic stress, yet there is a clear connection between the trauma of this pregnancy and the child who felt no pain or fear, and his pattern of bravado and heightened excitability.

LINDA BEAVER, AHA Professional Member, Newtown, NSW

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RANDWICK	Shepherd Sam	Joanne	02 8084 2420 02 8018 5058	0412 484 502 0405 126 409
ROCKDALE	Sam	Punnoose	02 8018 5058	0405 126 409
ROSEBANK via LISMORE	Jones	Cecille	02 6688 2005	
ROSEVILLE CHASE	Royce	Florence	02 9417 7114	0417 480 556
ROZELLE	Dhuyvetter	Trees	02 9818 2495	0452 584 246
SOUTH HURSTVILLE	Koutsoukis	Michael	02 9579 1118	0407 002 288
STIVES	McAfee	Ann	02 8084 0081	0439 499 085
STIVES	Pope	Christine	02 8084 0081	0414 345 192
STIVES	Zinn	Leah		0407 705 820
STLEONARDS	Tumminello	Peter	02 9439 7273	0401 357 905
STMARYS	Madhurakavi	Jaya	02 9673 3733	0430 322757
STMARYS	McDonald	Stephen	02 9673 3733	0417 283 951
STANMORE	Beaver	Linda	02 9516 5300	
SURRY HILLS	Cleary	Michael	02 9211 3811	
SURRY HILLS	Harris	Kathy	02 9211 3811	0409 542 081
SURRY HILLS	Sierra	James	02 9218 8855	0409 661 673
SYDNEY	Avedissian	Keith		0412 231 332
SYDNEY	D'Aran	Kenneth	02 9247 8500	0407 181 086
SYDNEY	Shah	Vaishali	02 9221 0030	0410 379 407
SYDNEY	Smith	Caroline		0410 376 882
SYDNEY - House calls	Martiensen	Peter		0408 485 402
TALARM	Foley	Belinda	02 6568 3337	
TERREY HILLS	Sutcliffe	Elizabeth	02 9986 2214	
TOWRADGI	McGuire	Helen		0407 840 387
TUGGERAH	Sheffield	Frances	02 4304 0822	
TULLAMORE	Pedersen	Carol		0409 152 040
UKI	Magee	Judith	02 6679 5855	0414 370 259
UKI	Malcolm	Trenna	02 6679 5826	0408 265 070
UNGARIE	Pedersen	Carol		0409 152 040
UPPER BLUE	Martiensen	Peter		0408 485 402
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URALLA	Munns	Christina	02 6778 4787	0428 285 064
VAUCLUSE	Selby	Robyn	02 9337 4413	0413 017 502
WALGETT	Pedersen	Carol		0409 152 040
WARILLA	McGuire	Helen		0407 840 387
WARRIEWOOD	Hardwick	Margot	02 9999 2211	
WARRIEWOOD	Logan	Maryanne		0438 212 737
WAVERLEY	Houseman	Miriam		0412126647
WEETHALLE	Pedersen	Carol		0409 152 040
WENTWORTHVILLE	Saxena	Kanchan	02 9636 6157	0431 818 552
WESTMEAD	Madhurakavi	Jaya	02 9891 4983	0430 322 757
WESTMEAD	Patel	Nayana		0430 714 487
WOLLOMBI	Bird	Neil		0432 633 700
WOLLONGONG	Gamble	Jon	02 4228 0977	
WOLLONGONG	Hermiston	Nyema	02 4228 0977	
WOOLGOOLGA	Hayward	Caroline	02 6654 1996	0403 626 700
WOOLLAHRA	Billa	Ramya		0415 901 087
WOOLLAHRA	Kristo	Angela		0405 677 630
YAMBA	Hynson	Ilma	02 6646 9452	

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SUBURB	LASTNAME	FIRST NAME	LANDLINE	MOBILE
ALBANY CREEK	Reichman	Petrina	07 3264 8397	0437 673 632
ALDERLEY	Gillen	Christine	07 3356 0654	0466 991 856
ASHGROVE	Mollov	Denise	07 3330 0034	0422 222 817
ATHERTON	Beckert	Henny	07 4097 2651	0434 823 061
BALGAL BEACH	Boeddeker	Helga	07 4770 7459	0437 933 159
BARDON	Lindsay	lane	07 3368 1300	0407 750 363
BARDON	McIntosh	lohn	07 3876 2446	0407730303
BEENLEIGH	Khan	Halimah	07 3807 7687	
BOWEN	Lewis	Denise	07 3007 7007	0423 709 748
BRACKEN RIDGE	Liddell	Evelin	07 3261 5436	0423703740
BRAY PARK	Joseph	Agimary	07 3882 5427	0402 675 683
BRENDALE	Foster-Spinelli	Fmilia	07 3002 3427	0412 115 451
BUDERIM	House	Glen	07 5456 1161	0412 113 431
BUDERIM	Penhaligon	Alex	07 5476 5889	
BURPENGARY	Koda	Anthony	07 3888 2894	0417 706 286
CABOOLTURE	Younger	Barbara	07 5498 9100	0117 700 200
CAIRNS NORTH	Friesen	Judith	07 3 130 3100	0402 857 799
CALOUNDRA	McMahon	Penelope	07 5491 6102	0 102 037 733
CAPALABA	Clark	lames	07 3245 6451	
CARINDALE	Crook	Megan	07 32 13 0 131	0432 544 178
CHAPEL HILL	Eccleston	Maree		0407772091
COOKTOWN	Doherty	lean		0427 303 333
COOMBABAH	Lyons	Rodney		0421791553
COORPAROO	Ryan	Dennis	07 3421 7488	0417 649 044
DEAGON	Smith	Carolyn	07 3269 8822	0414 421 675
DECEPTION BAY	Costigan	Martin		0402 821 959
DUTTON PARK	Olorenshaw	Kelly		0407 268 865
EAGLE HEIGHTS	Venables	Sandra	07 5545 0939	0402 423 127
EIGHT MILE PLAIN	Parmar	Mita		0411 836 575
FORTITUDE VALLEY	Berryman	Peter		0420 403 320
FORTITUDE VALLEY		Greg	07 3117 9661	
GLADSTONE	Lorraway	Ross		0408 875 973
GORDON PARK	Allman	Colleen		0412 791 825
GREENSLOPES	Allman	Colleen		0412 791 825
HAWTHORNE	Hanson	Inez	07 3899 1807	0421 007 700

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HERVEY BAY	Defina	Judith	07 4125 1231	
HERVEY BAY	Turner	Gregory	07 4124 6677	0438 249 642
HIGHLAND PARK	Wong	Joy	07 5596 6256	0412 570 390
IPSWICH	Hanson	Linda	07 3281 2747	0407640229
JINDALEE	Peters	Marian	07 3279 6470	0408 070 504
KENMORE	Jones	Sharon	07 3378 2672	0409 371 354
KENMORE	Redding	Willi	07 3370 2072	0410136054
KENMORE	Trefny	Heidi	07 3878 6027	0 110 100 00 1
KENMORE HILLS	Hatherly	Patricia	07 3878 9767	
KIELS MOUNTAIN	Hayes	Rosalind	07 5442 2511	
KIELS MOUNTAIN	Hayes	Roy	07 5442 2511	
LANDSBOROUGH	Rocker	,	07 5439 9813	0403 267 963
MALENY		Leisa	07 5435 8380	
	Koda Moffat	Anthony	07 3433 6360	0417706286
MARGATE		Andrea	07/0070651	0420 823 964
MILLAA MILLAA	Beckert	Henny	07 4097 2651	0434 823 061
MOGGILL	Tulip	Jane	07.70 / 0.7011	0412 001 601
MT GRAVATT	Rideout Belletty	Andrea	07 3849 3911	0410 678 971
MTOMMANEY	Provan	Fiona	07 3715 8482	0418 184 702
MTOMMANEY	Weiss	Trudy	07 3715 7842	0411 300 081
MUDGEERABA	Dobson	Lynda	07 5593 2288	0412 270 408
MUDGEERABA	Fawcett	Donna	07 5525 2755	0438 647 416
MUDGEERABA	Teixeira	Rita	07 5525 2211	
MURRAY'S BRIDGE	Moulden	Rosemary	07 4667 3117	0400 880 302
via WARWICK	Modiden	Nosemary	07 1007 3117	0400 000 302
NEW FARM	Orr	Dianne	07 3315 2517	0488 993 336
NOOSA HEADS	Graham	Carolyn	07 5412 2702	0431 036 495
NOOSA HEADS	Jarvis	Snehi	07 5455 4019	
PADDINGTON	Blackshaw	Susan	07 3876 2100	0418 716 027
PARKINSON	Emans	Karen		0408 748 532
PEREGIAN BEACH	Berry	Catherine		0499 188 536
PETRIE	Fedrick	Renee		0406 200 764
REDCLIFFE	Haug	Sharon	07 3889 3588	
REDLAND BAY	Brownsey	Lynda	07 3206 8274	
REDLAND BAY	McKenzie	Juilia	07 3829 1155	
ROSALIE	Redding	Willi		0410 136 054
SAMFORD	Wilks	Glenda	07 3289 0069	0428 112 455
SCARBOROUGH	Harman	Marilyn	07 3880 0739	
SOUTHPORT	Magee	Judith	07 5571 0001	0414 370 259
SPRINGFIELD LAKES		Monica		0416 978 191
SPRINGWOOD	Johnston	Karen	07 3808 6633	0 110 37 0 131
STAFFORD	Madden	Gregory	07 3356 3699	0407 121 588
STONES CORNER	Lowe	Kylie	07 3330 3033	0431 436 939
STRETTON	Paliwal	Rukmani	07 3273 3055	0423 716 926
TARINGA	Nicolaou	Barbara	07 3273 3033	0402 040 248
THE GAP	Watson	Gwendoline	07 3300 6569	0418 191 086
TOOWOOMBA	Blackwood	Roslyn	07 4634 8143	0438 267 724
TOOWOOMBA	Externest	Vera	07 4636 4075	0130207721
TOOWOONBA	LXterriest		07 1030 1073	
TOOWOOMBA	Mitchell	Maryanne Donnelly	07 4613 1822	0417 626 552
TOOWOOMBA	Stanford	Marggritte	07 4638 4252	
TWIN WATERS	Barkway	Beverly	07 5448 8411	0407 758 020
VALDORA	Emans	Karen		0408 748 532
WARWICK	Moulden	Rosemary	07 4667 3117	0400 880 302
WATERFORD WEST	Jessop	Coralie	07 3299 7378	0403 027 923
WESTEND	Lowe	Kylie		0431 436 939
WESTEND	Provan	Fiona	07 3844 1911	0418 184 702
WESTEND	Ryan	Dennis		0417649044
WOOLOOWIN	Lindsay	Jane	07 3357 4990	0407 750 363
WYNNUM	Rideout Belletty	Andrea		0410 678 971
YEPPOON	Lorraway	Ross	07 4939 8222	0408 875 973
YEPPOON	Worsley	Sandra	-	0439 718 942

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ABERFOYLE PARK	King	Kenneth	08 8270 6625	0401 866 037
ADELAIDE	King	Kenneth		0401 866 037
ALLENBY GARDENS	Chapman	Jill	08 8340 2181	
BELLEVUE HEIGHTS	Lathlean	Jane		0417 803 016
CAMDEN PARK	Sharma	Monika		0469 197 246
CLAPHAM	Noble	Valerie	08 8277 2430	0428 857 668
ETHELTON	Twohig	Julia	08 8242 3888	
FLAGSTAFF HILL	Rabbah	Victoria	08 8270 6448	0432 171 503
GLENELG	Noble	Valerie		0428 857 668
HAHNDORF	Bottin	Hardo	08 8188 1008	0403 092 630
HYDE PARK	Kumar	Rajesh	08 8373 3699	0412 943 376
MAGILL	Oon	Francis	08 8331 3210	0407 971 068
MARION	Khalili	Nahid	08 8177 0563	0403 655 122
MARION	Thind	Parvinder		0405 086 018
MORPHETT VALE	Lepse	Traudi	08 8382 8661	0430 337 673
NORTHGATE	Kumar	Rajesh	08 8266 4634	0412 943 376
PARKSIDE	Marks	Bronwyn	08 7120 2810	
PORT LINCOLN	Armitage	Louise	08 8683 4344	
PROSPECT	Carr	Patricia	08 8344 9154	
SOMERTON PARK	Bourne	Andrea	08 8376 9997	
WANDILO	Cunningham	Nicole	08 8739 9250	
WOODSIDE	Stuart-Macadam	Patricia	08 8389 9405	

Simon's story

Homæopathy helped a young boy deal with emotional distress, grief and fear.

Simon at age three was a sensitive, responsive and gentle child who had been excited about his visit to India to see his grandparents. This changed when he witnessed a traumatising natural disaster.

During the holiday, a sudden flood submerged the entire city, causing widespread damage. Simon's grandparents lost a lot of their business in the flood and the whole family was trapped on the second floor of their house for four days. The family shared their limited food and water with families in adjoining houses and Simon watched the food being thrown across rooftops.

Simon witnessed all the worry the family was going through: the fear of further damage, the scarcity of food and water, the anticipation of relief packages and the medical issues that would arise. He especially feared that his new-found friend in the neighbourhood might not have enough food or water. An elderly neighbour suffered a fatal heart attack and his wife was forced to consign his body to the flood waters with simple prayers. Simon thought that the man had fallen into the water and died. All in all, it was a very harrowing experience for a three-year-old.

As the floods subsided, Simon's mother still felt very tense and concerned for her parents. She dimly remembers Simon constantly asking to go home from the holiday and asking if his grandparents could accompany them. Coming back home was sheer joy for this child and he was glad to be back with his father. Then Simon went to his toys and started talking to them. That night he had a nightmare. He had quite a few nightmares and he was always saying that there were creatures in "there". He mentioned water only once.

Simon was given a homoeopathic medicine for emotional distress and grief to take once daily for five days but, when reviewed weeks later, he was having nightmares every night. He was waking up in fear and sleeping with his parents.

He was given three doses of another homoeopathic medicine that not only addressed emotional distress and grief but also the fear of losing family members and/or friends. This was followed by two more homoeopathic medicines over the following six days. Since then, his nightmares have ceased.

DIMPLE NIHALANI, AHA Professional Member, Aubin Grove, WA





Between heaven and earth

Homæopathic medicines supported an infant's recovery from meningitis.

In our privileged society we might almost casually accept that many tiny babies have survived both the rigours of an Intensive Care Unit experience and the illness that necessitated it. Danielle was not yet a month old when meningitis catapulted her into the invasive diagnostic procedures and multiple drug treatments needed to save her life. She was subjected to an induced coma while she weathered this crisis and was eventually discharged from hospital with diagnostic tests predicting little chance of a full recovery.

Her parents called upon help from both heaven and earth. Assistance was provided by a number of different modalities, but the goals were the same: to mitigate the effects of shock; to address any latent aftermath of the illness; and to support the brain and organs as they eliminated any residue of the life-saving drugs.

Homoeopathic medicines can help support these goals. The first medicines prescribed for Danielle were for shock and fear of being harmed. A medicine was also chosen that matched her previous symptoms of skin rash and convulsions. Finally, medicines were given to help support the eliminative organs and help strengthen the constitution. These medicines were given at more frequent intervals during the first year following the illness and then gradually tapered off. Danielle continued receiving other complementary treatments and, contrary to all expectations, her paediatrician confirmed that she was progressing normally through her developmental stages.

Some years have now passed and Danielle's parents report a loving, vibrant, trusting, capable child. She is not the only child in her class to wear reading glasses and not the only child who has benefitted from speech therapy. Not infrequently, brain trauma temporally disrupts the normal "brain-mapping" processes that continually occur in the baby's rapidly growing brain. Speech and sound therapies can help the child correctly map and articulate the sound nuances needed for language and reading.

This story illustrates the resilience and wonderful healing capacity of a baby — especially when heaven and earth conspire to help.

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SUBURB	LASTNAME	FIRST NAME	LANDLINE	MOBILE
GEORGE TOWN	McMahon	Brenda	03 6382 3717	
HOBART	Creedy	Melanie		0409 089 965
HOBART	Gustavsson	Erica	03 6278 2994	0401 240 781
HOBART NORTH	Baker	Angela		0466 323 662
MOUNTAIN RIVER	Creedy	Melanie		0409 089 965
NORTH HOBART	Kressig	Martina		0427 931 481
SOUTH BRUNY ISLAND	Kressig	Martina		0427 931 481
ULVERSTONE	Mell	Cally		0408 781 460
ULVERSTONE	Webb	Helen	03 6425 1539	0447 642 515
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ABBOTSFORD	Mitsios	Peter	03 9419 4190	0409 858 956
AIRPORT WEST ALTONA	Oberdunhofen Hoy	Erika Leanne	03 9379 0707 03 9315 0511	0414 305 934 0409 013 609
ARMADALE	Devlin	Emmeline	03 9500 8656	0103013003
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ASPENDALE	Osborne	Carli		0412 242 602
BAYSWATER	Murfitt	Teri	03 9720 6234	
BENALLA CAPE SCHANCK	Eacott Boal	Julie Susan	03 5762 3867 03 5988 5371	
CARRUM DOWNS	Subramanian	Lakshmi	03 8787 7918	0402 924 657
CASTLEMAINE	Kidd	Alana		0403740064
CAULFIELD	Sideris	Stamata	03 9505 3539	0431 069 457
CAULFIELD SOUTH	Kahan	Vivienne	07.05.07.006.4	0414 613 130
CHELTENHAM CHEROKEE via	Saunders	Jane	03 9583 8964	0439 654 693
GISBORNE	Golden	Isaac	03 5427 0880	
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CLIFTON HILL	Valentini	Sarah		0408 542 762
CORRYONG	Shepherd	Cornelia		0411 219 779
CRANBOURNE CROYDON	Soni Harrison	Manju	03 5995 3301	0401 401 487 0402 334 976
CROYDON	Parker	Karen Tania	03 9723 2233	0402 334 976
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DONCASTER DONVALE	Lee Marr	Keng Ruth	03 9848 7600	0422 594 114
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ELWOOD	Robinson	Tanya	03 9531 5555	0425 852 255
EMERALD	MacFarlane	Anne	03 9895 0037	0 123 032 233
ENDEAVOUR HILLS	Cook	John	03 9700 0333	0412 421 279
ENDEAVOUR HILLS	Nair	Reena	03 9706 2383	0404 755 084
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FERNTREE GULLY	Scholte	Yudith	03 9758 5816	0427004000
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FOREST HILL	Kothuru	Raj	03 9077 5044	0425 761 826
FRANKSTON	Bayer	Phillip	03 9770 5337	0421 490 722
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ALBANY	Copeman	Ann	08 9842 3977	0427 422 459
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AUSTRALIND	Kalbfell	Pauline	08 9725 2418	
BENTLEY	Hari	Hament	08 9350 9898	0411 371 562
BIBRA LAKE	Fiocco	Anna	08 9418 7273	
BUNBURY	Kalbfell	Pauline	08 9725 2418	
BUSSELTON	Guy	Margaret	08 9754 2542	0407 984 000
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COTTESLOE	Blanch	Michael	08 9385 1484	0419 910 141
DENMARK	Waschk	Beate	08 9848 2426	
DUNCRAIG	Goradia	Tirtha	08 6460 9862	0421 453 106
DUNSBOROUGH	Morgan	Paula	08 9755 3949	0407 773 093
FREMANTLE	Greenough	Jasmin		0422 173 401
HELENA VALLEY	Clark	Robin	08 9255 1052	
JANDAKOT	Goradia	Tirtha	08 9417 3553	0421 453 106
JOONDALUP	Lang	Penelope	08 9301 1234	
KALAMUNDA	Moore	Sally	08 9257 2553	0407 287 637
KARRATHA	Penrose	Sarah		0477 285 863
LEEMING	Grewal	Jagkeerat	08 6161 8473	0458 583 202
LESMURDIE	Diamantopoulo	Kate	08 9291 0510	0417713212
MIDLAND	Hendry	Phillip	08 9274 1810	
MILLENDON	Innocent	Madeleine	08 9296 0152	
MTHAWTHORN	Alexander	Paul	08 9444 4190	
NOLLAMARA	Grech	Darren		0412 779 760
PADBURY	Essex	Julie		0434 573 181
PORT HEDLAND	Penrose	Sarah		0477 285 863
REDCLIFFE	Grech	Darren		0412 779 760
SAWYERS VALLEY	Moore	Sally	08 9295 6782	0407 287 637
SUBIACO	Greenough	Jasmin	08 9381 3999	0422 173 401
WEMBLEY DOWNS	Volk	Marion		0418 945 109
WEST LEEDERVILLE	Volk	Marion	08 6380 2648	0418 945 109
WILLETTON	Stanton	Emma		0407 448 664
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A tragic break-up

A young woman consulted me. She had been helped by homœopathic medicines before and sensed that she needed treatment again. She had broken up with her first boyfriend three months before.

She told me a tale of high drama: she had lost her best girlfriend, who thought she had betrayed her over the relationship with that boyfriend; most of her friends were no longer talking to her; due to her emotional melee she was fighting with her brother and mother; she had been unable to do any school work and had cried bitterly "every day for 57 days". She finished her tale by saying, "He has ruined everything."

She confided in me: "After everything went downhill, I didn't eat, wouldn't talk to people and couldn't get out of bed. I didn't want to live ... just wanted to sleep. I have been sick with stress and sadness." She had been feeling suicidal and regularly bingeing on spirits.

After the 57 days of disarray she decided she was "over it", started to eat, regained some weight and was doing a little school work. She still looked haggard and sad and was now seeking another boyfriend who would be "more mature". I carefully prescribed a homeopathic medicine indicated for the effects of tragic events that "turn your life upside-down".

She returned three weeks later. The change in her facial expression, her dress and her demeanour was outstanding; she looked bright and happy and relaxed. Her desire for a new boyfriend had fallen away: "I thought I actually need to be alone and learn more about myself."

She decided to focus on study and realised she wasn't ready for a serious relationship. She finished by telling me, "I want to forgive what happened; thank it for beautiful memories and for teaching me things. I just need to be the good person in this. I am relaxed and taking life as it comes."

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Individualised treatment is our speciality

With homoeopaths, you are an individual, not a number or a disease. This is not just a platitude or a feel-good statement. It is the way homoeopathy works.

Homoeopathy views many symptoms in order to treat the underlying causes of ill health, taking into account not only the condition itself but the whole person. This includes your lifestyle, medical history, likes and dislikes and mental and emotional aspects as well. It is often the small idiosyncrasies that are "the real you" that help the homoeopath to select the medicine that best fits your needs.

You may have noticed that no specific medicines have been mentioned in this lift-out. This omission has been deliberate, because we do not wish to give the impression that there is a "one medicine fits all" approach with homoeopathy. If you have a skin condition or a stomach complaint, the homoeopathic medicine that has been given to someone else who seems to have the same complaint will not necessarily work for you, too. This is because their condition, although it sounds the same, is unique to them and their makeup.

Your specific condition is a result of your own physical, mental and emotional nature. This is also why homoeopathic consultations generally take longer than those you are probably used to with other types of practitioners. Homoeopathy is a complementary modality and if symptoms persist you should contact your health provider.

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