



THE SENATE

**COMMUNITY AFFAIRS REFERENCES COMMITTEE**

**Growing evidence of an emerging tick-borne disease that causes a Lyme like illness for many Australian patients**

**PUBLIC HEARING  
Friday 15 April 2016**

**Bristol Room  
Royal on the Park Hotel, Brisbane**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Witness</b>
8.00 am	<b>Lyme Disease Association of Australia</b> ( <i>Submission 528</i> ) Ms Sharon Whiteman, President
8.45 am	<b>Lyme Australia Recognition and Awareness/Global Lyme and Invisible Illness Organization Inc</b> ( <i>Submission 822</i> ) Ms Karen Smith, Co-President / Founder
9.30 am	<b>Mrs Meaghan Sullivan</b>
9.45 am	<b>In-camera session</b>
<b>10.05 am</b>	<b>Morning tea</b>
10.15 am	<b>Australian Chronic Infectious and Inflammatory Disease Society</b> ( <i>Submission 370</i> ) Dr Peter Dobie, Secretary (via teleconference) Dr Richard Schloeffel, Chairperson ( <i>Submission 2</i> )
11.00 am	<b>Karl McManus Foundation</b> ( <i>Submission 530</i> ) <b>Mr John Curnow, Veterinarian</b> ( <i>Submission 351</i> )
11.45 am	<b>Dr Margaret Hardy, Institute for Molecular Bioscience, University of Queensland</b> ( <i>Submission 451</i> )
<b>12.15 pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
1.00 pm	<b>Individual statements</b> 2-minute statements from individuals (to register on the day)
1.30 pm	<b>Public Health Laboratory Network</b> ( <i>Submission 454</i> ) Mr John Bates, Chair  <b>Australian Rickettsial Reference Laboratory Foundation</b> ( <i>Submission 459</i> ) Professor Stephen Graves, Spokesman on Lyme Disease  <b>Royal College of Pathologists of Australasia</b> ( <i>Submission 532</i> ) Professor Stephen Graves, Spokesman on Lyme Disease
<b>2.15 pm</b>	<b>Afternoon tea</b>

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2.25 pm	<b>Individual statements</b> 2-minute statements from individuals (to register on the day)
2.55 pm	<b>Australian Biologics Testing Services Pty Ltd</b> ( <i>Submission 545</i> ) Ms Jennie Burke, Director
3.25 pm	<b>Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (via teleconference)</b> ( <i>Submission 533</i> ) Mr Martin Fletcher, Chief Executive Officer  <b>Medical Board of Australia (via teleconference)</b> ( <i>Submission 533</i> ) Associate Professor Stephen Bradshaw, Practitioner Member
4.00 pm	<b>Adjournment</b>