

CORRECTION & APOLOGY FROM PROFESSOR SIMON CHAPMAN TO SARAH LAURIE

I am a Professor of Public Health at the University of Sydney.

On 20 March 2014, I retweeted the following tweet on Twitter concerning Sarah Laurie:

NOT DROWNING, RANTING: Deregistered "Dr" Sarah Laurie doesn't like the medicine
dished up by @ama_media:
Waubrafoundation.org.au/resources/open...

My retweet implied that Ms Laurie had given cause to the Medical Board of Australia to deregister her as a medical practitioner, on account of unprofessional conduct; that she is not entitled to use the title "Dr"; and that she does so in contravention of the laws that govern the conduct of medical practitioners.

These allegations were implied without foundation and are entirely false.

Ms Laurie is not deregistered and has never been sanctioned by the Medical Board of Australia. Ms Laurie allowed her registration as a medical practitioner to lapse for personal reasons; and accordingly, does not currently practice.

I sincerely apologise to Ms Laurie for the harm, embarrassment and distress caused by the false allegations implied by my retweet, which I unreservedly retract.

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