

GENERAL HEALTH SERVICE WARNING STATEMENT

HEALTH COMPLAINTS ACT 2016

Section 87

Mr Michael Allwood

The Victorian Health Complaints Commissioner issues the following General Health Service Warning Statement under section 87 of the Health Complaints Act 2016.

On 10 August 2022, the Commissioner commenced an investigation into Mr Michael Allwood (**Allwood**). This decision to investigate was made based on information alleging that Mr Allwood sexually assaulted and raped two (2) female clients during the provision of massage services at his home.

Subsequently, the HCC received information that Mr Allwood was charged with sexual assault and/or rape against a further six (6) female clients. In total, Mr Allwood has been charged with sexual offences against eight (8) clients.

The Commissioner reasonably believes that Mr Allwood may have contravened the Code of Conduct as set out in Schedule 2 of the *Health Complaints Act 2016*, and that it is necessary to publish this warning statement to avoid an imminent and serious risk to the health safety or welfare of the public.

Copies of this warning statement can be accessed on our [website](#)

Members of the public who have any concerns about this matter, or any other health service, are urged to contact the Health Complaints Commissioner by calling 1300 582 113 or by completing an online complaint at hcc.vic.gov.au/make-complaint.



Adjunct Professor Bernice Redly
Health Complaints Commissioner
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