

## **INTERIM PROHIBITION ORDER**

## HEALTH COMPLAINTS ACT 2016 Section 90

This Interim Prohibition Order is made pursuant to section 90 of the *Health Complaints Act 2016*.

The Health Complaints Commissioner (**Commissioner**) has made this Interim Prohibition Order because the Commissioner reasonably believes that the general health service provider named below has contravened a code of conduct applying to the general health service being provided and is satisfied that it is necessary to make this order to avoid a serious risk to the health, safety or welfare of the public.

Name of the general health service provider on whom the Interim Prohibition Order is imposed: Date this Interim Prohibition Order is made:	Geoffrey Lane of East Geelong in the State of Victoria 16 February 2021
Date on which this Interim Prohibition Order expires:	An Interim Prohibition Order can remain in force for up to 12 weeks. This Interim Prohibition Order will remain in force until 10 May 2021 while an investigation is conducted unless it is revoked before that date.
Effect of this Interim Prohibition Order:	<ol> <li>The general health service provider named above must not, directly or indirectly:         <ul> <li>advertise or cause to be advertised, or</li> <li>offer or cause to be offered, or</li> <li>provide or cause to be provided, or</li> <li>establish, direct or otherwise operate any business that either advertises, offers or provides (or causes to be advertised, offered or provided)</li> </ul> </li> <li>any general health service (paid or otherwise, in a clinical or non-clinical capacity) to any female clients who are not already a current client as at the date of this Interim Prohibition Order.</li> <li>The general health service provider named above must prominently display a copy of this Interim Prohibition Order</li> </ol>
	<ul> <li>at his business premises and ensure that it is easily visible to the public.</li> <li>3. In addition to prominently displaying a copy of this Interim Prohibition Order at his business premises, the general health service provider named above must bring this Interim Prohibition Order to the attention of all his current female clients at the commencement of the next</li> </ul>

appointment with that female client after the making of the Interim Prohibition Order, by providing her with a copy of this Order.
<ul> <li>4. The general health service provider named above must publish a copy of this Interim Prohibition Order, in a manner that is easily visible to the public, on the homepage of any website or social media platform he uses to offer or promote any general health services, including, but not limited to, the following sites: <ul> <li>a. <u>https://bodiandmind.com.au/</u></li> <li>b. <u>https://www.halaxy.com/profile/mr-geoffrey-lane/psychotherapist/402941</u></li> </ul> </li> </ul>

In this Interim Prohibition Order 'general health service' and 'general health service provider' have the same meaning as in section 3 of the *Health Complaints Act 2016*.

This Interim Prohibition Order takes effect on the service of the order on the general health service provider to whom it applies.

This Order will be published in the Victoria Government Gazette and on the Internet site of the Health Complaints Commissioner, <u>www.hcc.vic.gov.au</u>.

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