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NZAPS Members New Zealand Association of Plastic Surgeons

Dear Colleagues

On Thursday 26 September 2019, The Therapeutic Goods Administration in Australia released a statement indicating a suspension of sales of *some* breast implants of Grade 3-4 texturing. The suspension will last six (6) months and will be pending further submissions from the manufacturers. Please see <u>here</u> for further information.

Medsafe New Zealand has not yet indicated how they wish to proceed, however, based on previous decisions, it is likely they will follow the TGA's decision. It would be prudent for NZAPS members to be aware of this likelihood and consider planning around this decision.

There is up to date information on the NZAPS website for patients and members to read.

The NZAPS Council will keep you informed and up to date with any further changes.

Regards

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