

# The New Zealand Home Birth Association

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Mr E.K. Moore.  
Lincoln Road,  
HENDERSON.


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Dear Mr Moore,

As you will be aware a number of our domiciliary midwives advise patients to use and themselves use during deliveries homeopathic remedies. Domiciliary midwives are required to provide all their own equipment and disposables. These are not paid for by the Health Department and you may know that they receive very small salaries, approximately \$6,000 p.a. and that the homeopathic remedies they use during a delivery they regard as part of their treatment and something which the patient should not have to pay.

At our committee meeting last night we discussed the question of their financial difficulties and made a number of plans to assist them. We wondered if, given they have such an educative role in the use of alternative medicines, whether you would be prepared to provide them with necessary remedies at some discount. We would be very grateful if this is the case. They, of course, are too nice to put the case for themselves!

Yours sincerely,

  
Barbara Macfarlane  
Secretary.