

# SOUTH AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE ON MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY

Responding To The Public Health Crisis Of Chemical Injury

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## PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY INTO MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY

MCS is a serious and growing public health problem.

People with MCS are made sick by common chemicals found in many products such as pesticides, paints, new carpets, new building materials, cleaning products, air fresheners, perfumes, personal care products and tobacco smoke. People with severe MCS are often diagnosed with Chronic Fatigue Syndrome. International studies show that 12% or more of the population have symptoms of MCS with nearly 2% no longer able to work due to common chemical exposures. Without government recognition of MCS, and public health action to prevent MCS, the problem will continue to grow.

**Children with Asthma, Allergies and Attention Deficit Disorder**  
**are at increased risk of developing MCS.**

THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR  
PEOPLE WITH MCS TO BE HEARD BY PARLIAMENT  
THE INQUIRY WILL ALSO HELP TO  
GUIDE PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION ON MCS

*WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS  
CAN BE MADE  
BEFORE AUGUST 13 TO*

**THE SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
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