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TerryWhite Chemmart supports the Guild and Australian Patients Association's push for more affordable medicines

TerryWhite Chemmart is engaging its network of more than 600 pharmacies to support the Pharmacy Guild of Australia's campaign for more affordable medicines. As frontline healthcare providers, TWC pharmacies see firsthand how rising costs force Australians to choose between their essential medications and everyday necessities like food and rent.

TerryWhite Chemmart Executive General Manager Nick Munroe commended the government on its efforts to date in making medicines more affordable. "Last year, the government reduced the co-payment for general patients, a cost-of-living measure that was incredibly well received by patients. However, more can be done as financial pressures continue to be faced by many," Mr Munroe said.

"To deliver better health outcomes for the communities we serve, medicines need to be affordable. No one should have to choose between filling a prescription and putting food on the table. That's why we are supporting this campaign to further ease the cost burden on Australian families."

"TerryWhite Chemmart stands alongside community pharmacists across the country in calling on the government to lower the PBS co-payment. This is a simple and effective way to reduce financial pressure on Australian households while ensuring people can manage their health conditions."

Pharmacists are a trusted source of healthcare advice, and TWC pharmacies are on the frontline, supporting millions of Australians in managing chronic conditions such as diabetes, hypertension, and asthma. However, when patients are unable to afford their medications, their health deteriorates, leading to increased hospital admissions and greater strain on the healthcare system.

By uniting its network of pharmacies in support of this campaign, TerryWhite Chemmart is reinforcing its commitment to patient care and advocating for policies that prioritise health and wellbeing. Affordable access to medicines is a fundamental right and TerryWhite Chemmart will continue to work alongside industry leaders to push for reforms that benefit all Australians.

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