

Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to you in regards to the mental health inquiry and would like to voice my concerns and objections in regards to the screening of 0-3 year olds for mental health.

I am a first aid trainer who has experience and qualifications relating to the treatment and management of childhood ailments and I work predominantly with those in the childcare sector.

There are real and valuable medical screenings that are important for a young child such as those related to Asthma and Anaphylaxis but in comparison to those, this mental health screening is comparatively worthless.

It contains no actual medical testing or diagnostic tools such as blood test, fluid samples, MRI or brain scan and contains no gathering of actual, physical evidence of supposed mental health issues.

In fact there's no accurate tool for diagnosing mental health, even in adults. All the diagnostic tools available are merely question-answer based, are wildly variable and completely open to speculation.

Thank you for taking the time to read my feedback
and I implore you to not allow these changes to be
implemented.

Regards,

Garin Keon.

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