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## Public Statement: Two Wolves – One Body

The South Australian Health and Community Services Complaints Commissioner (HCSCC) has issued an interim prohibition order against Ms Carlie J. Angel and Mr Brad T. Williams, trading as *Two Wolves – One Body*.

The order prohibits them from offering Kambô.

Ms Angel and Mr Williams had been subject to an interim prohibition order by the Victorian Health Complaints Commission but that order lapsed.

South Australia has issued this interim prohibition order – which will last for 12 weeks – in response to expert evidence from a toxicologist about the potential adverse effects of the peptides contained in the frog secretion.

HCSCC Dr Grant Davies explained that this evidence was reason behind issuing this interim prohibition order.

“After receiving the expert advice, it was clear to me that Kambô could be very dangerous for some individuals,” Dr Davies said.

“I have decided to issue this interim order to protect South Australians from potential harm from this practice.

“I want to put on record that Ms Angel and Mr Williams had already signed an undertaking to not offer Kambô services in South Australia while the Office of the HCSCC does its investigation.

“Ms Angel and Mr Williams have been forthcoming and helpful in this process and I credit them for that.

“Our investigation will continue whilst this interim order is in operation.”

Under Section 56(B) of the *Health and Community Services Complaints Act 2004*, the interim order bans *Two Wolves – One Body* from advertising, offering or providing Kambô immediately.

*Two Wolves – One Body* is also temporarily banned in other States and Territories that have adopted the [National Code of Conduct for Health Care Workers](#).

If anyone has concerns about the Kambô treatment they have received from *Two Wolves – One Body* or any other practitioner in South Australia, please contact the HCSCC on 08 8226 8666 or [info@hcsccl.sa.gov.au](mailto:info@hcsccl.sa.gov.au).

### Background

Kambô is the practice of using the poisonous skin secretion of a frog called *Phyllomedusa bicolor* (commonly: blue-and-yellow frog, bicoloured tree-frog, giant monkey frog, giant leaf frog, or waxy-monkey treefrog), which is found in the Amazon basin, for cleansing rituals.

This interim order is made against Section 3 of the [Code of Conduct for Certain Health Care Workers](#).

