What’s the problem?

Imagine a cramp on the inside of your pelvis. Stabbing pains, everyday, all day. Waking you up at night. Making it difficult to walk. Nothing that others can see or understand, so embarrassing as well as painful.

Unfortunately, this is life for women (and some men) with the most severe forms of pelvic pain. An injection of botulinum toxin (botox) in these muscles can stop that pain, and start them on the road to recovery.

Our government recently reviewed which botulinum toxin procedures it will recognise with a Medicare Item Number. An Item Number makes it easier for hospitals to offer this treatment. The review recognised that botox is important for a range of medical conditions including sweaty armpits, muscle spasm after stroke, migraine headaches, twitchy eyelids, muscle spasm in children with cerebral palsy, hoarse voice, and overactive bladder – but not Pelvic Pain. It’s not fair and It’s not right.

Why are those with so much pelvic pain they cannot work or care for their families less important than someone with sweaty armpits?

What we want

A Medicare Item Number for severe pelvic muscle spasm, or the use of Item Number 18360 for this purpose.

How you can help

Sign the petition
Join Facebook – Pelvic Pain Hurts
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How we can help you

Visit the Pelvic Pain Foundation website at www.pelvicpain.org.au
information, events, research for teens, women and men.

We Need Your Help

Botox is used for many health conditions but our government is treating Pelvic Pain unfairly. Sign the Botox for Pelvic Pain Campaign Petition at www.gopetition.com/petitions/pelvic-pain-botox.html

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