

## The MND Association's policy statement on unproven treatments

There is currently no cure for motor neurone disease, which is why the MND Association is committed to funding and promoting scientific research into possible causes and treatments.

Unproven treatments are marketed throughout the world for people with MND. However, their effectiveness has not been proved through rigorous clinical trials, and the science behind them is often not understood and poorly explained. The Association does not endorse these treatments.

In addition, we believe that allowing treatments to be made available which have not been through the established clinical trials process encourages unscrupulous individuals to market ineffective treatments for monetary gain.

We would encourage anyone living with MND who is considering embarking on an unproven treatment to discuss all the implications with their neurologist before making a decision.

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