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**From:**  
**Sent:** 24 May 2019 13:29  
**To:** Finance Foodsuppl  
**Subject:** Consultation on Vat

To whom it may concern,

With reference to the current Government public consultation paper on the VAT treatment of food supplements, I wish to express my concerns regarding it. I along with many thousands of people here in Ireland take supplements regularly to keep our bodies healthy. The difference in my health since I started taking supplements is unreal. I went through a number of years of picking up a lot of chest infections and having to take antibiotics to fight them and for the last few years I have been taking Supplements to help my body fight these off and it has worked. I am never sick. I have met with people who have been really challenged with health issues especially when it comes to fertility. Supplements have made a huge impact on these peoples lives and are now proud parents.

To put VAT on supplements would be horrendous and would lead to people being very sick and not being able to live productive lives because they won't be able to afford the supplements that they need. The elderly will be hugely affected as some of them are on supplements such as Glucosamine for their joints which are not allowed on a medical card. It will also cause huge job losses within the industry.

I urge you to please keep the VAT off our supplements so that we can all stay healthy and happy.

Yours faithfully