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Dear Members of the Medical Board of Australia.

I smarting to express my concern at the amendments to the Code of Ethics which will take away from doctors and other practitioners in the medical profession their rights to free speech and their freedom to express their sincerely held beliefs that there are two sexes male and female. Today popular science upheld by the media supports radical theories which have no foundation in rigorous science.

I think your plans are rather like the popular story of the Emperor's New Clothes, where all the Emperor's officials are too worried about how they will appear to everyone else who are going along with the Emperor's view of his new clothes; even though he is intact being conned by the weaver. The majority of the Australian public want their doctors and other practitioners to practice their skills with freedom of beliefs and speech.

Please conduct more rigorous research before you change this Code or you may well appear to be as foolish as the Emperor who was flattered to be following a new fashion.

Yours faithfully, Margaret Knuckey Sent from my iPhone