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To: medboardconsultation

Subject: proposed revision of their code of conduct called: Good Medical Practice

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Dear AHPRA,

I object to the proposed changes to the Good Medical Practice code of conduct for the following reasons:

- How does AHPRA know what comprises 'generally accepted views' on any particular subject? Unless you take a poll, how can you decide what the community views are?
- Why are the minority views pushed aside. What happens to their "rights"?
- How can AHPRA judge the nebulous concept of 'community trust'? And can AHPRA ensure the small committee of its judges will not be influenced subjectively by pressure groups.
- Who will comprise the 'judging committee' of doctors deemed unprofessional? How will they judge 'the crime'? How will they know the opinion of the 'majority' of the profession? How will they evaluate loss of 'community trust? How will they grade the severity of the 'crime'? How will they judge appropriate punishment? Where is freedom of speech for minority groups who don't give in to social media pressure?
- Is this becoming a "Police State", ruled by AHPRA?

regards,

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