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To whom it may concern

Re: code of conduct changes

The proposed changes appear, from a public perspective; to be a knee jerk reaction to a particular prevailing political wind; rather than a considered effort to improve health outcomes.

Deeming at the outset what factors may or may not be 'medically relevant' in such a blanket way, is taking power away from doctors to do their job.

Furthermore, attempting to stifle debate surely cannot be the best way to raise awareness of any medical condition, or promote discussion around difficult medical issues, particularly mental health issues.

Surely a requirement for civility already exists (despite the stigma of 'poor bedside manner') and is more appropriate than immediate threat of censure.

Thankyou for your consideration as you revise.

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