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In the proposed revised Good Medical Practice forum being considered, it states that registered doctors in Australia who breach the code of conduct set out in that code, could face disciplinary action.

Paragraph 4 Page 7 on professionalism of that code states. "The boundary between a doctors personal and public profile can be blurred". It also states "If making public statements, you should acknowledge the professions generally accepted views".

In view of the present climate there are indeed some "blurred public views". These are in regard to, same sex, euthanasia, abortion and transgender reassignment. Therefore any doctor publicly opposing these issues maybe found guilty of unprofessional conduct.

This is yet another attempt to shut down free speech, which is what we were assured would not happen in the event of same sex marriage made law in this country.

For that reason I want that paragraph omitted from the proposed code of Medical Practice. Marion Betker.

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