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To whom it may concern,

A problem with the wording of the draft code is the inherent limitation of free speech. The minority will not be able to challenge the views of the alleged majority which is, in itself, undemocratic, but also opposed to the scientific method in which hypotheses are formulated, argued and tested. We live in a democratic country. Medical practitioners are entitled to their freedom of speech including freedom of religion and should be allowed to make grounded ethical and moral decisions without conflicting their freedom of conscience.

A patient is not forced to do something they do not want to do or feel comfortable with, so why should a doctor be forced to perform something they do not want to do or feel comfortable with? Their jobs should not be jeopardised on conscientious moral grounds that they believe in.

Yours sincerely,

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