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With reference to the “Good Medical Practice: a code of conduct for doctors in Australia” I want doctors to be able to freely and openly discuss, debate and speak about any issues medical or otherwise. This will help me to be better informed of issues I am interested in. I do not want them or anyone (including myself) trapped in a cone of silence because someone else is then deciding for me what they think I should know.

With reference to the majority view of the medical profession – how has this been established? Has there been a secret ballot conducted independently? Doctors already feel threatened and are afraid to express their views so how can the majority view of doctors be established without a secret ballot.

Dr David Van Gend is a doctor who from my observation thoroughly researches his facts and carefully examines the scientific research. He should be free to express his findings even if it is different to the ideology of some others in the medical profession because in the end what we want is truth.

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