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To Medical Board.

Respect for a patient does not equate to respecting 'cultural beliefs and practices' that may be in opposition to good medical practice.

Of paramount importance is the welfare of each patient. A doctor must be free to challenge any and all false medical beliefs of a patient, a belief which if followed would result in inappropriate treatment. Doctors must be able to tell each patient the medical truth. e.g. dangers of excess weight, excess alcohol, female genital mutilation, sexual behaviours.

I therefore submit the importance of keeping the language of 2009 Code of Conduct, the same...not changing it.

Regards,

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