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To whom it may concern.

My wife and I are strongly opposed to the draft code of conduct suggested by the Medical Board of Australia.

Some of our reasons are:

1. All Australian Doctors would be required to be “culturally safe” which does not equate to medically safe.
2. That means that the doctor would have to comply with the patient’s beliefs about gender identity and sexuality.
3. This would not allow the doctor to differ in their professional judgment.

We oppose any code of conduct that would, in future, (a) not allow a doctor to exercise his professional judgement and (b) would be opposed to good medical practice.

Therefore, we implore the Medical Board of Australia to retain, unchanged, the code of conduct of 2009.

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