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To whom it may concern,

I am alarmed to hear that the Medical Code of Practice may be changed – the hypocritic oath which Drs used to have to take, spoke of always acting to give the best outcome medically to the patient.

Having to consider individual beliefs and cultural practices will stifle the Drs ability to practice good medicine and may force them to act against their conscience, in order to not be charged or loose their right to practice. Are we not having difficulty finding enough Drs to practice good medicine now, without limiting those who enter the field to those who are willing to compromise their knowledge and beliefs to give rights to a few?

Australia seems bent on bowing to the rights of the minority without considering the rights of the silent majority!

It is time we spoke up!!

Please do not change the medical code of practice to continue down this slippery slope to Australia's detriment and social destruction.

As individuals we need to have the right to our personal beliefs and to act according to the best practice and outcomes for all concerned, whether this is in line with the patient's personal beliefs or not.

I have always found that my medical safety is what I count on my Dr for and if this differs from my personal beliefs I have the right to ask for a second opinion from another Doctor. There are a large number of Drs in this country today who are of other cultures for us to find one who holds the same cultural beliefs and I am sure there are those who agree with sexually liberal ideas as well, if we need to find them to agree with treatments most of us would consider unsafe.

Hoping this does not fall on deaf ears – please consider carefully.

Yours sincerely,

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