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My name is Stephen Howe, I am a GP in Hurstville, a southern suburb of Sydney. Normally I'm too busy to involve myself in medical politics but the proposed Code of Conduct changes concern me.

1. The proposed changes are EXTREMELY vague in nature. What is accepted thought or opinion in the medical community? Who dictates what is acceptable to write, say or read?

2. Do we live in a democratic society here people are allowed to have opinions and express them accordingly? This is not Nazi Germany, Stalinist Russia or North Korea!

3. Who is the architect of the proposed changes? Why is he or she not brave enough to front the media or more importantly the medical profession to explain these changes.

4. Finally, why did I have to learn about these changes via the Sunday papers.? Sorry, but I am angry and not happy to have these restrictions being foisted on my thoughts and free speech by a faceless group who are not answerable to anyone but themselves. Why weren't there emails of information sent to us regarding these changes?

Now please excuse me, I have to do MY job which is caring for the sick. Do you people actually KNOW or CARE about what doctors REALLY do?

yours faithfully,

Stephen Howe