From: medboardconsultation

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Dear Medical Board of Australia,

Thank you for public consultation on proposed changes to the Code of Conduct.

The proposed changes are not acceptable. It's not appropriate if patients or families stopped doctors from discussing what is medically relevant to their care, based on political correctness. They also would endanger patients when they are too ill to make their own decisions. By dictating to doctors what is considered "medically irrelevant" in consultations, the proposed changes threaten doctors' ability to exercise independent clinical judgment and freedom of conscience.

This would not be "good medical practice", and would obstruct the medical professional's freedom to exercise sound clinical judgment.

The proposed changes should not be accepted as they are inconsistent with good medical practice.

Regards,

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