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To: [medboardconsultation](#)
Subject: Concern regarding revised code of conduct
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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a General Practitioner working in Sydney and I am writing to express my concern regarding a section of the proposed code, at section 2.1 which states:

" ..you need to acknowledge and consider the effect of your comments and actions outside work, including online.....If making public comment, you should acknowledge the profession's generally accepted views and indicate when your personal opinion differs".

In my opinion this section can be used against free speech and free debate, and in particular it may silence minority views within the medical profession. It gives unreasonable scope for the Board to reach into a doctor's private life and censor individual opinion.

Thank you for taking this letter into consideration.

Regards,

Ann Tokura