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To: Exemptions
Subject: AA1000542 - Honeysuckle Health - submission

I am writing regarding the ACCC's draft determination of a proposal from Honeysuckle and NIB to form and operate a health services buying group.

I fail to see how this determination will result in public benefits by providing more choice for insurers and other healthcare payers. Any benefits to the insurers will go the share holders rather than reducing upward pressure on premiums for their members. There is no consideration given to patient care.

Access to doctors and hospitals and duration of treatment will be made by managers seeking to increase profit rather than the interest and wellbeing of the patient.

The public should not lose their right to choose their own doctor and control the treatment they receive.

I am writing to you as a patient who has had a successful heart bi-pass operation and treatment from my doctor and hospital of choice, I was very happy with the service I received and if that means higher premiums so be it.

I am also a diabetic and suffer from AF that requires regular treatment from a doctor of choice who is familiar with my medical history

Thank you,
Brian Soares
Concerned Patient