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To: Exemptions
Subject: AA1000542 – Honeysuckle Health – submission

Dear Sir/Madam,

As an Anaesthetist in Brisbane and Ipswich working in private practice I am vehemently opposed to managed care model as per the Honeysuckle Health proposal.

I am concerned about the power and influence of large for-profit health corporations and their plans to change the funding and delivery of healthcare in Australia.

The Managed Care model effectively gives control of our health care standards to commercial interests.

Managed care has the potential to damage the foundations of Australia's world class healthcare system.

Medical specialists must be free to make decisions about clinical care without burdensome pressure from contracts with health insurance companies. We cannot allow health insurance companies to dictate how and where patients will be treated.

We must protect the right of Australians to have a choice of doctor, and not be limited to a selection of doctors within a closed network.

I ask the ACC to act to protect the independence of the doctor patient relationship and preserve our world class health care system.

Kind regards,

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