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**To:** Exemptions  
**Subject:** AA1000542 – Honeysuckle Health – submission

To ACCC,

I write to express my opposition to the proposal to grant NIB/Honeysuckle authorisation to operate a buying collective with Australian healthcare providers (Authorisation number: AA1000542).

Following the health model of the USA will adversely affect provision of health services to all Australians. Australia has one of the best healthcare systems in the world with care being controlled by expert medical practitioners and their patients. The Honeysuckle Health proposal would reduce the current level playing field that health care providers operate under in the private sector in Australia and ultimately restricts patients' options when choosing a health care provider. Handing over control of medical decisions, procedural options, choice of Doctor and hospital to a commercial company is a significant backward step.

I strongly disagree with the ACCC draft determination and urge to reject the application and respect the opinion of my colleagues working at the frontline for patient safety and best practice health outcomes.

Kind regards,

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