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To whom it may concern,

I am a specialist anaesthetist and I am writing to express my concerns regarding the proposed introduction of managed care in Australia.

We are fortunate in Australia to have a world class health care system which places the patient's interests first. It is universal and allows patients to have the freedom to seek independent opinions from various practitioners. It allows for high quality health care without consideration of costs and cover as seen fit by a non-medical third party.

The introduction of a managed care system would see a scenario where patients no longer have the same ability to seek independent advice. Additionally the ability of doctors to individually tailor care to a patient would be significantly compromised.

It would be a mistake to allow this to be introduced in Australia.

Please consider the statements from all the submissions of our medical bodies that are directly involved in patient care and advocacy, and continue to support our current system without these changes.

Yours sincerely,

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