

SUBMISSION

Re: **“Health Insurance Amendment (Medicare Funding for Certain Types of Abortion) Bill 2013”**

I fully support the above Bill because I firmly believe that to abort a child purely because of gender is a form of Gendercide and should not be encouraged or supported by Medicare funding. Medicare money is needed to fund genuine medical procedures not to satisfy personal or cultural choices by assisting in the killing of an unborn child because the sex is wrong!

Gender selection abortions are frequently aimed at the elimination of baby girls and has led to a huge shortage of girls in China and India. Some Doctors have unofficially disclosed that these types of abortions are happening amongst some ethnic groups in Australia to terminate female children and that Medicare funding is being used. This practice undermines the worth of girls and women in society and in no way should be upheld by Medicare.

The conception and birth of a child should be celebrated regardless of gender. It is disgusting to think that parents can terminate the life of their own child to balance their family.

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