
My name is Suzanne Baker,

I wish to make a submission to **support** the Submission Health Insurance Amendment (Medicare Funding for Certain Types of Abortion) Bill 2013.

I most certainly do not support abortion in any form but to abort a child because of gender for any reason is abhorrent.

Whether it be for 'family balancing', cultural reasons or personal preferences I do not support Medicare benefits being wasted and spent irresponsibly on the killing of unborn children. Medicare benefits should be for needed health procedures not for eliminating babies because of their gender.

Unborn girls in particular, are being devalued, dehumanised and discriminated against in other countries where there is now a shortage of girls. I am greatly concerned that not allowing natural sex selection will result in serious consequences such as imbalances in male to female population causing gender violence, child abductions and other serious ramifications. Unborn girls should not be dehumanised or discriminated against.

Every child should be welcomed into the world regardless of its gender.

Yours faithfully,
Suzanne Baker