
To: Senate Finance and Public Administration Committees

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

Dear Sir/Madam

We do not agree with permitting medicare funding for the above bill for the following reasons:

- **A sex-based abortion is not a medical procedure since it is based on personal preferences. To use Medicare funding for sex selection preference should not be the basis to qualify for government medical assistance**
- **Research shows that it is mainly the female child that is aborted, therefore leading to a majority male population.**
- **When this practice prevails as it has in China & India, the repercussions from this gender imbalance leads to rape, female kidnappings & homosexuality as the norm.**
- **The ever expanding health budget is unaffordable and consequently non medical procedures like this should be user pay.**

Therefore gender selection preference abortion should be totally unacceptable to qualify for Medicare.

Thanking you for your time in this matter

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