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Hi - I would like to voice my opinion objecting to Medicare being able to be used by people deciding that the child they are carrying is not wanted after all because they wanted a different sex! Aborting a child solely because it is a boy or a girl is NOT a medical procedure and should not be receiving a Medicare benefit.

I would appear that Doctors have disclosed informally that gender selection abortions are occurring - with a preference for a male child - particularly amongst some ethnic groups present in Australia and as a result Medicare funding is being used to terminate the life of female children.

I am aware that sometimes an abortion might be necessary because of the welfare of the Mother, but life is not a disposable item, and should be treated with respect irrespective of gender, and or disability. God created us special, with gifts that we can all benefit from, who are we to act as God as say something has no value, when a precious life is at stake.

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