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Submission to The Abortion Law Reform Amendment Bill 2016.

I write as a formally trained specialist medical administrator and long standing clinician. I do so as I am aware of concerns with the evolving abortion scene in Australia. These are:

The right to conscientious objection of doctors (including doctors in training) plus nurses, to not be a party to an abortion procedure, directly or indirectly, in public and/or private facilities.

Aborted babies born alive are to be treated as normal births and given resuscitation if needs be. In addition, should such babies die, even after only living for a very short period of time, such a death is reported to the coroner. Disposal of the body to be in keeping with the relevant Cemetery Act and the relevant death certificate is completed.

Post abortion grief services to both men and women made readily available, advertised and staffed.

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