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To: Exemptions

Subject: AA1000542 - Honeysuckle Health - submission

To Whom It may concern,

I write to express my opposition to the proposal to grant NIB/Honeysuckle authorisation to operate a buying collective with Australian healthcare providers (Authorisation number AA1000542).

This fundamentally reduces the current level playing field that healthcare providers operate in the Australian private sector and ultimately restricts patients' options when choosing a healthcare provider. The only motivation for NIB/Honeysuckle to operate such a program is to reduce the quality of the product that they sell to patients and increase their profitability. Treatment options for any patient should not be dictated by companies for commercial reasons.

This is exactly the kind of anticompetitive corporate behaviour that the ACCC was established to prevent. Please act in the best interest of the general public and reject the NIB/Honeysuckle proposal.

Yours sincerely

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