

Requisition for Extraordinary General Meeting

To the Honourable Secretary of the Irish College of General Practitioners Limited

I, the undersigned, require the Board of the Irish College of General Practitioners Limited (“ICGP”) to convene an extraordinary general meeting of the membership of the ICGP for the object and purpose of

- placing before the membership of the Company the motions set out below,
- permitting debate by the members present at such general meeting upon the said motions,
- taking a vote on the said motions at the said general meeting and
- ensuring that, after the said general meeting, the Board will act in accordance with such motions as shall have been passed by the necessary number of members present at the said meeting.

The motions to be considered at the proposed meeting are:

- 1) The ICGP considers that routine general practice is not the appropriate setting in which to provide abortions and that a clinical setting, external to general practice, is more appropriate for the provision of abortions;
- 2) The ICGP favours an opt-in system for those general practitioners who wish to provide abortions and will put in place parallel training courses and ongoing audit and professional development of equal status, availability and suitability in (a) the safe provision of abortions, for those who wish to provide abortions, and in (b) pre- and post-abortion counselling, for those who do not wish to provide abortions;
- 3) The ICGP commits itself unequivocally to the effective exercise of freedom of conscience by all healthcare professionals. It considers any obligation to make the arrangements for the transfer of care of a pregnant woman necessary to enable the woman to avail of a termination, to be an interference with such effective exercise;
- 4) The ICGP commits itself unequivocally to ensuring that those doctors who opt out of the provision of abortions will not be hindered in any way in the provision of other services to women nor will they suffer any disadvantage to the progression of their career either as trainers or practitioners; and
- 5) The ICGP commits itself unequivocally to ensuring that any 24-hour helpline should provide access to non-directive counselling to those using it and should not simply direct those using it to the providers of abortions.

PRINT NAME: _____

IMC NUMBER: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

MEMBERSHIP STATUS:

Member

Trainee

Associate Member

Not a Member

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