## Dear Editor,

This is to confirm that the article entitled "The Uninformed Spouse: Balancing Confidentiality and Other Professional Obligations" submitted to the Indian Journal of Medical Ethics is original and written by me and that it meets the ICMJE guidelines for authorship. The submission is not under consideration for publication in any other journal.

This commentary is a response to the case study titled 'Can doctors advise beyond the purely professional?' presented by Bawaskar in the recent online issue of IJME.

Considering the journal's interest, I believe this article will contribute to the ongoing debates on confidentiality and the duty to warn. Further, it contributes to the debates on clinical practice within the Indian context.

I state that there is no potential conflict of interest in this submission and that the work is not financially supported by any organization.

I look forward to receiving your comments and positive response.

Regards,

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