**Covering letter**

**To,**

**The Editor,**

**Indian Journal of Medical Ethics**

**Respected Sir,**

I wish to submit my manuscript: **“**Conversion Therapy in homosexuality: ethical concerns” under comments section for consideration of publication in your esteemed journal. Homosexuality is a much ignored area when it comes to human rights and clinical care in India. People with homosexual orientation are ostracized in the society and are often subjected to inhuman treatments. There is a need to sensitize health care practitioners towards providing scientific and supportive treatment and avoid irrational and unethical treatment to this marginalized segment of population. In my manuscript I have described about the various ineffective unscientific sexual orientation change treatment provided to these people and the way these practices violate basic principles of biomedical ethics. I have also suggested for scientific intervention which should be practiced by the rational psychiatrist.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

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