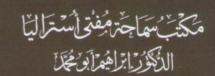


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IN THE NAME OF ALLAH (SWT) THE MOST MERCIFUL AND THE MOST COMPASSIONATE

All praise be to Allah, the Lord of the Universe, and His Prayers and Blessings be upon His last Prophet Muhammad and his Family and his companions.

SEEKING MEDICAL TREATMENT FROM MALE/FEEMALE PHYSICIANS

The Council of Fatwa holding its first meeting for 2014 in Melbourne from 21st - 23rd February 2014

After intensive discussion and lengthy deliberation on all matters relating to the question on the permissibility for Muslims to receive medical treatment from male/female doctors, the Fatwa Council;

RESOLVES

That it is permissible for Muslim male and female patients to receive medical treatment from male or female doctors in an emergency situation and in the absence of a trained doctor to treat a particular decease or to conduct a procedure irrespective of the doctor's gender.

However, in a normal circumstance, it's highly recommended that Muslim males should seek medical treatment from male doctors and Muslim females should seek medical treatment from female doctors only.

Yours Sincerely

Professor Ibrahim Abu Mohamed

Grand Mufti of Australia