3.2. Issues

In line with RACS' mission, there are topics and issues which are appropriate for RACS to engage with the media. These topics and issues may include, but are not limited to:

- Government health policy as it affects surgery in Australia and Aotearoa New Zealand;
- Statements made by other aligned health agencies;
- Surgical education and training
- Authenticated new surgical research;
- New surgical procedures and operations;
- RACS research or individual surgical research;
- The work of RACS Committees and specialty societies
- Individual surgical excellence; or
- Human interest stories where individual surgeons are highlighted for leadership or

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| RA • | CS will not engage with the media in relation to: | or SIMGs remunerati | on fees | |
| • | Issues that concern an individual Fellow, Trainee for service, competency or ability; | or SIMGs remunerati | on, fees | |
| • | The rating or ranking of Fellows; | | | |
| • | The rating or ranking of hospitals; | | | |
| • | Matters which are currently under review by a reg | ulator or other legal a | uthority; | |
| • | The promotion of any surgical product or procedu and | re for commercial adv | vantage; | |
| | Matters which are not compacted to overcome | | | |

• Matters which are not connected to surgery.

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