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Giving any group immunity for malpractice is a violation of the 14th Amendment equal protections and Oregon Constitution, Bill of Rights, Article 1: Section 20. Equality of privileges and immunities of citizens. No law shall be passed granting to any citizen or class of citizens privileges, or immunities, which, upon the same terms, shall not equally belong to all citizens.—

It creates a potential for the violation of informed consent for both minors and adults. Minors can no more give informed consent for a sex change or abortion than they can for sex or consumption of intoxicating substances.

Every year 35,000 to 240,000 die from malpractice, depending on who keeps data and how it is kept. That is more compared to less than 20,000 from gun violence and 38,000 vehicled deaths put together. It may be more than the overdose with illegal drugs.