At Paddy Moore’s talk now on abortion and equity of access, #RANZCOG19

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Moore distinguishes reproductive rights - grounded in law - from reproductive justice, which recognises that not everyone has the same choices as a starting point #RANZCOG19

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Equity is a process, and we need political will to start that process, in order to deliver and develop an equal service for all, says Moore #RANZCOG19

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When Moore does clinic audits the main finding is frustration over waiting time. She says there is a ‘global waiting room’ #RANZCOG19
Why do we need equity of access. The data speaks for itself, says Moore. We need to do it because it makes sense #RANZCOG19

Pillars of progress towards equity. Legal protection is only one part of the story #RANZCOG19

Governments and health boards have to mandate that women’s health services provide abortion and contraception services, says Moore. We also need to address sexuality and respectful relationships - role for College, but also for political will #RANZCOG19

Huge changes in US. Moore recently on sabbatical in US, says reminiscent of Northern Ireland, clinics under siege, electricity and water shut off, rubbish not collected #RANZCOG19

Moore says in US they have shifted focus from Roe v Wade to just shutting clinics down #RANZCOG19
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If they can close a clinic for a month, staff lose jobs, can’t pay bills, clinic very rarely able to reopen again #RANZCOG19

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It also just makes economic sense, Moore says #RANZCOG19

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Moore says she has moved over time to someone who now has a ‘conscientious compulsion’ to provide abortion care, and to talk about it #RANZCOG19
'I don’t need to talk to you about equity in the US,' says Moore. 150 clinics left but 87 of these are in NY. Many travel huge distances. Likens it to a ‘resistance movement’ #RANZCOG19

You can’t take your eye off the political ball, says Moore of lessons for abortion care from the US experience #RANZCOG19

When are we going to have equity in Australia asks Moore. We need it now. Speaks to the importance of safe access zones, protesters getting around this with drones (!) #RANZCOG19

There is no room for self congratulation here. Abortion costs $560 on average in Australia. That is not equity of access #RANZCOG19
Moore talking about 'Air BnB for abortion', the MyOptions website #RANZCOG19

Moore giving mihī to Aotearoa, who brought mifepristone to Australia and other means. Says law reform will come. Kia kaha #RANZCOG19

Moore has some messages for @ranzcoh, starting with STOP sidelining these discussions to a side room (we are so packed in this session people are sitting on the floor and out the door). Applause. Says the College only one third of the way there on abortion #RANZCOG19

Judith Gardiner makes the very important point that most abortions in Australia are provided by GPs and they need to be included in these conversations #RANZCOG19