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Hi,

We have several Consultants who are over 70 years old. Many have hearing impairment, slow information processing and are physically weak and shaky with frequent falls and tremors. These doctors are not fit to practice physically or cognitively. They are also emotionally at a loss as they haven't worked out how to bow out of their careers and plan retirement. They definitely need to be supported to transition to retirement. Health check on its own may not help identify which doctors are not fit to practice. Perhaps they need to pass a medical board exam every 1-2 years to continue to prove their fitness to practice.

regards

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