

**Submission into the Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2021**

**Submission No.:** 15  
**Submitted by:** H Achilles  
**Publication:** Making the submission and your name public  
**Position:** I/We support the Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill but recommend some changes to it.  
**Comments in relation to:** Eligibility criteria\*  
**Attachments:** No attachment

**Submitter Comments:**

I support this bill, however I believe it is far too restrictive and should be included as an option when an individual makes the decision to have an advance health directive. Often by the time a patient's quality of life has been reduced they are incapable of and do not meet the criteria set out in this bill. An example is a person with dementia or Alzheimer's. These people deserve and should have the right to die with dignity, at a point in their illness of their choosing and not be forced to live a life with little to no quality.