

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

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**Submitter Comments:**

The Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill would at last give people the right to choose when they have suffered enough.

My Mother was diagnosed with incurable Cancer. She suffered immensely over a lengthy period of time. Her quality of life was virtually non-existent by the time she was admitted to hospital, and eventually the doses of heroin put her out of her misery.

She would have preferred not to leave this life in such a way.

This is a unique a chance for a step forward towards compassion and recognising that people do have right to what happens to them. No matter how good the respite care may be, it still means that the patient is in pain, discomfort and often undignifying circumstances.

Enough talking. Please enact the Act so that the future is brighter for those with Terminal Illnesses.