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Sent: Tuesday, 15 June 2021 10:06 PM
To: Health and Environment Committee
Subject: Submission to the Health Committee

Re: Submission to the Health Committee

Dear Health Committee Members,

I am a GP who works with a lot of patients with mental health condition and complex medical condition including chronic pain.

Whilst I can understand the despair patients can sometimes face when faced with severe debilitating illness, I have often been able to assist them find meaning and reprieve from their condition. I have found that with adequate and timely support, these patients can actually thrive and find a meaningful existence till their natural demise.

I fear that the assisted suicide bill will deprive many such patients with the opportunity to discover this aspect of being human, or feel pressurized by their family, society or their own negative thoughts to exit society prematurely .

As a doctor who takes my hippocratic oath seriously, I would never want to be put in a situation where I have to assist taking away somebody's life deliberately. As a Christian doctor, I would never be able to collude with any form of suicide, and would rather lose my privilege to practice medicine than to comply.

Sincerely,
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