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**To:** Health and Environment Committee  
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Re: Submission to the Health Committee

Dear Health Committee Members,

I am a Paediatric nurse and my daughter a doctor, we have signed up to care for people in all stages of life. We have a duty to protect life and have duly followed that standard until now it seems- when life at the beginning and end is being threatened. Our basic duty to protect is being threatened. Lives are being threatened! We need to protect at the right to life.

The Hippocratic Oath states:

I will maintain the utmost respect for human life;

I will not use my medical knowledge to violate human rights and civil liberties, even under threat;

We are under threat and we will not violate the human right to live.

This push for VAD is assisted suicide, nothing more, by unqualified persons, without adequate counseling without the option of palliative care. A really sad day for Australia and its vulnerable people.

Sincerely,  
Maddie Lawrence

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