
From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, 26 June 2021 10:09 AM
To: Health and Environment Committee
Subject: I oppose the "Voluntary Assisted Dying" Bill

Re: I oppose the "Voluntary Assisted Dying" Bill

Dear Health Committee Members,

Because junior General Practitioners with little specialised training in end of life management can approve a patient for assisted suicide or euthanasia.

Whereas palliative care specialists have to train for at least four years full time after graduating with a medical degree.

Doctors who object to euthanasia or assisted suicide would be forced to refer patients for it thereby becoming complicit in the outcome of a patient killed.

There is no requirement for patients requesting assisted suicide to be assessed by a mental health expert like a psychiatrist. Yet mental anguish and depression are the main reasons for requesting assisted suicide.

Sincerely,
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