

Submission into the Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2021

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Position: I/We do not support the Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill
Comments in relation to: Eligibility criteria* ,The request and assessment process,Administration of the substance,Safeguards,Conscientious objection by either individuals or entities,Oversight and review
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Submitter Comments:

The Eligibility criteria is a major critical concern for me especially around decision making capacity. The request and assessment process will undoubtedly be flawed.

e.g. Administration breakdowns handling a pandemic are obvious to all. A new level of medical leadership is needed, critical to life and death. It would take 3-5years to renovate our medical system without adding such a change as you can volunteer to die to an already struggling industry.

Old fashioned nursing dedication aimed at the personal needs of families for the respect of the family unit in life and death situations. The refusal to allow members to be with dying family members. Indicates a destruction of the family values, and sacredness of this unit.

A decision to take a life will have disastrous consequences. Even by the owner of the life. The effect on the next generation will be exaggerated further.

I know this is off the beaten track but clearly we already take the life of unborn healthy babies and terminate their existence. This is again giving people what they want and even when they don't know what they want.

There is so much administration in the hospital system to protect against litigation that we have slowed the entire Hospital system down.

Assisted dying and we are one step away from deception and control by humans over humans in making a law in parliament to allow voluntary assisted dying.

As, the new law goes down in the lower parts of the system of the medical hospitals it is up to younger professionals with limited understanding of what it is to age or die, with limited life experiences listening to a request that can be handled a different way.

I remember my Mother who passed at 85 in 2012 saying "so glad I don't have to live into the future, because they will end up getting rid of the old people and give them a pill".

We need strong values and strong leadership, good leaders as a country to at least put us on the same page, and consider the history of this great Nation and the Heritage of leaders who have delivered us to the 20th century. We have made mistakes in the past lets not keep making them into the future.

Safeguards will be either to light or legalistic. Any objections will be decided by a court and the family strength and authority is once again eroded.

Our Government should be making decisions to make our Nation safe, to improve our Nation and to show leadership at all levels, especially after what has been a difficult couple of years for Governments and our Nation as a whole.

We already have assisted dying for the dying. Morphine is doing the job. I believe life is sacred and the time a person has to go, grow or to know life's meaning is critical. There needs to be order, there needs to be good media news reported to build our Nation with out minority groups leading the Nation through media opinions. Slamming the Leaders and insulting them publicly with their

opinions. Is there a Bill we can pass around those needs.
Please give us good leadership not politics.
Kind Regards [REDACTED]