



## HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

### Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2021

#### Public Hearing Program

Thursday 15 July 2021, 9:00am – 6:00pm  
Committee Room 3, Parliament House, Brisbane

*Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the public hearing will be held in a room which has videoconference facilities. This room has limited capacity to ensure social distancing guidelines are met and access to this room will be restricted to witnesses only. However the Undumbi Room has been set aside for members of the public to view the broadcast should they wish to attend in person.*

Times (Approx)	Witnesses
9:00am – 9:45am	Australian Centre for Health Law Research, Faculty of Business and Law, QUT <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Professor Ben White, Professor of End-of-Life Law and Regulation</li><li>• Professor Lindy Willmott, Professor of Law</li></ul>
9:45am – 10:15am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Associate Professor Wendy Bonython, Faculty of Law, Bond University</li><li>• Emeritus Professor Colleen Cartwright, Chair of the Human Research and Ethics Committee, Southern Cross University (videoconference)</li></ul>
10:15am – 10:30am	<b>Break</b>
10:30am – 11:00am	Queensland Law Society <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Elizabeth Shearer, President (videoconference)</li><li>• Rebecca Anderson, Chair – Elder Law Committee</li></ul> Society of Trust & Estate Practitioners Queensland <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chris Herrald, Chair</li><li>• Jennifer Sheean, Deputy Chair</li></ul>
11:00am – 11:30am	Queensland Council for Civil Liberties <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Michael Cope, President</li></ul> Australian Lawyers Alliance <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sarah Vallance, State Committee Member</li></ul>
11:30am – 12:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr Phillip Parente (videoconference)</li><li>• Dr Kris Cornell (videoconference)</li></ul>

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<b>12:00pm – 12:45pm</b>	<p>Australian &amp; New Zealand Society for Geriatric Medicine</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr Chrys Pulle, ANZSGM Council Member</li> </ul> <p>Australian and New Zealand Society of Palliative Medicine</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Professor Leeroy William, President (videoconference)</li> <li>• Professor Phillip Good, Palliative Medicine Specialist</li> </ul> <p>Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr Kym Boon, Psychiatrist</li> </ul>
<b>12:45pm – 1:30pm</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>1:30pm – 2:00pm</b>	<p>Australian Medical Association, Queensland</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr Chris Perry, President</li> <li>• Dr Bav Manoharan, Vice President</li> <li>• Dr Brett Dale, Chief Executive Officer</li> </ul> <p>Royal Australasian College of Medical Administrators</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Professor Alan Sandford, President</li> </ul>
<b>2:00pm – 2:30pm</b>	<p>Palliative Care Queensland</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Margaret Adams, President</li> <li>• Shyla Mills, Chief Executive Officer</li> </ul>
<b>2:30pm – 3:00pm</b>	<p>Doctors for Assisted Dying Choice</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr Sid Finnigan, Queensland State Convenor</li> <li>• Professor Malcolm Parker, Queensland State Convenor Group</li> <li>• Dr Jenny Brown, Queensland State Convenor Group</li> </ul>
<b>3:00pm – 3:15pm</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>3:15pm – 3:45pm</b>	<p>Australian College of Nursing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adjunct Professor Kylie Ward FACN, Chief Executive Officer</li> <li>• Distinguished Professor Patsy Yates AM, Chair of End of Life Policy Chapter</li> </ul> <p>Australian College of Nurse Practitioners</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Catherine Smith, Board Member</li> </ul>
<b>3:45pm – 4:30pm</b>	<p>Queensland Nurses and Midwives' Union</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr Dan Prentice, Professional Research Officer</li> <li>• Mr Jamie Shepherd, Professional Officer - Team Leader</li> </ul> <p>United Workers Union</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Robert Hartley, Member</li> </ul> <p>Queensland Council of Unions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr Jacqueline King, Assistant General Secretary</li> </ul>
<b>4:30pm – 5:00pm</b>	<p>Speech Pathology Australia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nicola Gearon, Adult/Aged care Project Officer</li> </ul> <p>Australian Psychological Society – National Office</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr Alexandra Murray, Senior Policy Advisor</li> </ul>
<b>5:00pm – 5:30pm</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Professor Jane Turner, Health Professional</li> </ul>

Times (Approx)	Witnesses
5:30pm – 6:00pm	Exit International <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Philip Nitschke (videoconference)</li> </ul>
6:00pm	Close

This hearing will be open to the public\* and **broadcast live** on [Parliament TV](#), with footage to remain available for review for 12 months after the live broadcast. A transcript of the proceedings will also be published in due course.

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