Seeking interview participants for Australian Research Council Future Fellowship project

Enhancing end-of-life decision-making: Canadian Case Study on Medical Assistance in Dying

Learning from the experience of medical assistance in dying in Canada

- Are you a health professional (doctor, nurse, or allied health professional) who has had experience with medical assistance in dying (MAiD) including having patients request it, participating in the assessment process, or providing MAiD?

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- Are you an adult with a "grievous and irremediable medical condition" or the family member of someone with such a condition who has been involved in decision-making about MAiD, or supporting a family member through the process?

If you answered yes to one of the above, we are seeking your participation in a study intending to improve understanding of how decisions about MAiD are made Canada. The project aims to learn from your experiences of MAiD to inform a comparative study with Australia, where voluntary assisted dying (as MAiD is known) is relatively new. We are especially interested in your views about "regulation" (eg laws, policies and procedures) and how it affects people in practice.

The project will use your insights to help develop optimal laws and policies for voluntary assisted dying in Australia, with recommendations for improvements in Canada as well.

Please note that initial recruitment is focused on British Columbia, Ontario, and Nova Scotia only, but there may be opportunities for individuals from other provinces/territories to be involved at a later stage.

What's involved? Participation involves taking part in a private Zoom or telephone interview (up to an hour), at a time convenient to you.

To participate or find out more: Please contact Dr Eliana Close (eliana.close@qut.edu.au) and Professor Jocelyn Downie (Jocelyn.Downie@dal.ca). To learn more about the broader project and our research team, consult our website at https://research.qut.edu.au/voluntary-assisted-dying-regulation/.