

Inquiry Name: Inquiry into End of Life Choices

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I most certainly support every effort to make euthanasia legal in our country
With my mother in a nursing home for 25 years, mother & father in law in nursing home 15 & 7 yrs. respectively. I have seen so many people "just existing" , absolutely no quality of life-zero-nil- "waiting to die"we are human beings. The R S P C A would have me in court if I allowed some one to suffer the way I have seen many patients incl. my mum. If it is desired,while of healthy mind to go to the trouble of instructing a solicitor to create an EPOA & Health directive (HD) which clearly indicates the desire to terminate my life in any circumstance indicated in the HD if I am able, otherwise the instruction in the HD should prevail. A pill or injection provided & family could be in attendance to say goodbye. Surely that is far more sensible than "trying" to commit suicide by some means that could even involve other innocent people. It is understood that this is not the wish of everyone,however we should have the right to end it when we want, palliative care is wonderful But I do not want it.

I want a pill rather than suicide. As a huge bonus think of the money this will assist with health care.

Most sincerely Ken Garnham.