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On Behalf Of:

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As a physician that routinely takes care of sick patients in a hospital setting I urge you to reconsider the proposed amendments that include: extending physician aid in dying to non-physicians, mandating promotion of physician aid in dying, and reducing the waiting/consideration period for this massive decision. Patients facing these discussions are often in very vulnerable positions. I have seen first hand patients change their minds when it comes to discussions regarding in hospital code status for example on subsequent admissions to the hospital. Disease courses do not always follow the expected course. These proposed changes will hurt patients. This is not abstract. I ask that these proposed changes be rejected not only as a physician and patient myself. But also as a life long Oregonian who has unfortunately seen harm come to society/individuals by measures pushed by self promoting interest groups without consideration of the harms caused. Please stop falling for this. Oppose these changes. Thank you