

Aditional Resources on Medical Assistance in Dying

The ELCIC Task Force on Decisions at the End of Life has compiled this list of resources to complement the ELCIC Study Guide for Conversations on Medical Assistance in Dying.

Visual Resources –

Terry Pratchett: Shaking Hands With Death https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=90b1MBwnEHM

Vision TV, ZoomerTV

http://www.thezoomertv.com/videos/adult-conversation-medically-assisted-dying/

Vision TV: The Trouble with Dying http://www.visiontv.ca/2014/03/26/the-trouble-with-dying/

Social / Cultural -

- 1) Dying with Dignity, Ipsos Reid Survey, Canada 2014 http://www.dyingwithdignity.ca/new_assisted_dying_poll_canada
- 2) The Commission on Assisted Dying, The United Kingdom, 2011 https://www.demos.co.uk/project/the-commission-on-assisted-dying/
- 3) Canadian Medical Association, Policy: Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide, updated 2014 https://www.cma.ca/Assets/assets-library/document/en/advocacy/EOL/CMA_Policy_Euthanasia_Assisted%20Death_PD15-02-e.pdf

Legal

- 1) Quebec National Assembly, End of Life Legislation, 2013 http://www.assnat.qc.ca/en/travaux-parlementaires/projets-loi/projet-loi-52-40-1.html
- Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide: A Proposal for Restructuring the Criminal Code of Canada Eike-Henner W. Kluge http://ethics-euthanasia.ca/books/proposal-Kluge.pdf
- PEW RESEARCH CENTER, To End Our Days: The Social, Legal and Political Dimensions of the End-of-Life Debate, 2013 http://www.pewforum.org/2013/11/21/to-end-our-days/
- 4) Assisted Suicide and Euthanasia in Canada, A Background Paper, Library of Parliament, revised February 2013 http://www.parl.gc.ca/Content/LOP/ResearchPublications/2010-68-e.pdf
- 5) Assisted Dying Bill [HL], A Bill to enable competent adults who are terminally ill to be provided at their request with specified assistance to end their own life; Parliament of the United Kingdom, Lord Falconer of Thornton, June 2014 http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/bills/lbill/2014-2015/0006/lbill_2014-20150006_en_1.htm

- 1) Evangelical Lutheran Church in America: *A Message on...*End-of-Life Decisions, 1992 http://download.elca.org/ELCA%20Resource%20Repository/End_Life_DecisionsSM.pdf
- 2) Care in Dying; A Consideration of the Practices of Euthanasia and Physician Assisted Suicide, General Synod: as commended for study in the Anglican Church of Canada, 1998 http://www.anglican.ca/faith/files/2010/10/care-in-dying.pdf
- 3) PEW RESEARCH CENTER, Religious Groups' Views on End-of-Life Issues, November 2013 http://www.pewforum.org/2013/11/21/religious-groups-views-on-end-of-life-issues/
- 4) Church of England, Views on assisted suicide; https://www.churchofengland.org/our-views/medical-ethics-health-social-care-policy/assisted-suicide.aspx
- 5) United Church of Christ, USA, A Word to the Church on End of Life Care: Theological, Spiritual, and Ethical Reflections http://www.ucc.org/faithfully_facing_dying
- 6) Commission on Faith and Witness of the Canadian Council of Churches, 2016:. Statement of Support for Universal Access to Palliative Care in Canada: www.councilofchurches.ca/commission-on-faith-witness-releases-statement-of-support-for-universal-access-to-palliative-care/

7) Anglican Church of Canada: In Sure and Certain Hope: Resources to Assist Pastoral and Theological Approaches to Physician Assisted Dying. Produced by the Faith, Worship, and Ministry Task Force on Physician Assisted Dying, http://www.anglican.ca/wp-content/uploads/In-Sure-and-Certain-Hope.pdf

For Purchase —

HealthcarePapers: New Models for the New Healthcare, vol.14, No.1, November 2014 A collection of papers from a variety of perspectives both professional and patient centered. www.healthcarepapers.com

Downie, J. (2004). Dying Justice: A Case for Decriminalizing Euthanasia & Assisted Suicide in Canada. Toronto: University of Toronto Press.

In this book, written over a decade ago, Downie presents evidence for why a law permitting physician assisted suicide/death should be developed in Canada.

Martin, Sandra (2016) *A Good Death: Making the Most of our Final Choices*. Toronto: HarperCollins Publishers Limited.

Martin provides a detailed account of how our Medical Assistance in Dying law developed and highlights some of the key individuals noted in this lesson who were instrumental in moving it foreward.

College of Family Physicians of Canada. (2015). A Guide for reflection on ethical issues concerning assisted suicide and voluntary euthanasia. Ottawa: Author.

Fletcher, J. (1954) Morals and medicine. Princeton, N.J.: Princeton University Press.

Norlander, L. (2014) *To comfort always: a Nurses guide to end-of-life care* (2nd ed). Indianapolis IN: Sigma Theta Tau International.