



Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) Reflective Guide

RESEARCH STUDY

This reflective guide is based upon knowledge from a CIHR-funded research study exploring the evolution of the strategies being used to relieve suffering at end-of-life such as medical assistance in dying (MAiD), palliative care (PC), palliative sedation (PS), and voluntary stopping eating and drinking (VSED). The purpose of this survey is to explore your opinions about this Reflective Guide designed to prepare nurses and student nurses for practice in a context that includes MAiD.

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WHO IS FUNDING THE STUDY?

The study is funded by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research. The study team have no conflict of interest to report.

WHY ARE WE DOING THIS STUDY?

We learned many things from nurses about the implications of MAiD for their practice. For example, we learned about common experiences, the moral sense-making nurses need to do, best practices for patients and family, and nurses' self-care strategies. We believe it is important to share this knowledge with nurses who are involved, or considering becoming involved, with MAiD. As a result, we have designed this Reflective Guide.



WHAT IS YOUR COMMITMENT?

Your responses are voluntary. If you decide to participate in the survey, you may answer as many evaluation questions as you wish. The survey will take about 10 minutes to complete. If you choose to answer the reflective exercises contained in the Reflective Guide, the time you devote to those responses is completely up to you. Further, you can choose to share some of your reflections throughout the guide but not others.

HOW WILL STUDY FINDINGS BE SHARED?

The study findings will be used to further refine the Reflective Guide. However, responses will also be published in academic journals, freely available, and shared at conferences and online events.

WHAT ARE THE STUDY BENEFITS AND RISKS?

We do not anticipate that answering the questions will bring you any harm. Completing the Reflective Guide may help you in your own practice and responsibilities related to MAID.

HOW WILL YOUR CONFIDENTIALITY BE MAINTAINED?

You can participate in the survey anonymously. No details that can identify you will be collected.

DATA ACCESS AND STORAGE

Reflective exercise responses are stored on the WIX platform. This data is stored in the United States, Israel, and Ireland. The WIX privacy policy can be found here: <https://www.wix.com/about/privacy#:~:text=Wix%20will%20share%20your%20Users,or%20liable%20with%20respect%20thereto>. Your reflective exercise data can only be seen by the Principal Investigator or designate.

Your evaluation of the Reflective Guide is done through Qualtrics, a secure UBC survey tool, to collect survey data. All Qualtrix survey data is kept secure and is stored and backed up in Canada. Once data is downloaded from the Qualtrics platform, data will be deleted and stored on a secure UBC server. Data is stored in the Principal Investigator's office on password-protected, encrypted computers. The data will be kept for a minimum of 5 years after publication and then the electronic data deleted from the devices/server.

PAYMENT

You will not receive payment for your participation in the study.

WHOM DO YOU CONTACT IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE STUDY?

If you have any questions or concerns about what we ask you, please contact the Principal Investigator through the email listed at the top of this form.



WHOM DO YOU CONTACT IF YOU HAVE COMPLAINTS OR CONCERNS ABOUT THE STUDY?

If you have any concerns or complaints about your rights as a research participant or your experiences while participating in this study, contact any of the following:

The Research Participant Complaint Line in the UBC Office of Research Ethics toll-free at 1-877-822-8598 or the UBC Okanagan Research Services Office at 250-807-8832. It is also possible to contact the Research Complaint Line by email (RSIL@ors.ubc.ca).

PARTICIPANT CONSENT

Taking part in this study is entirely up to you. You have the right to refuse to participate in this study. If you decide to take part.