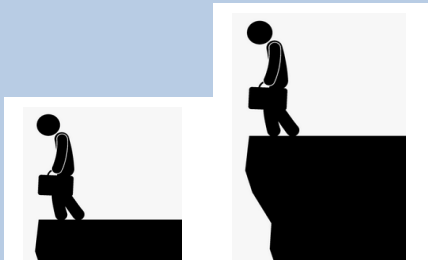
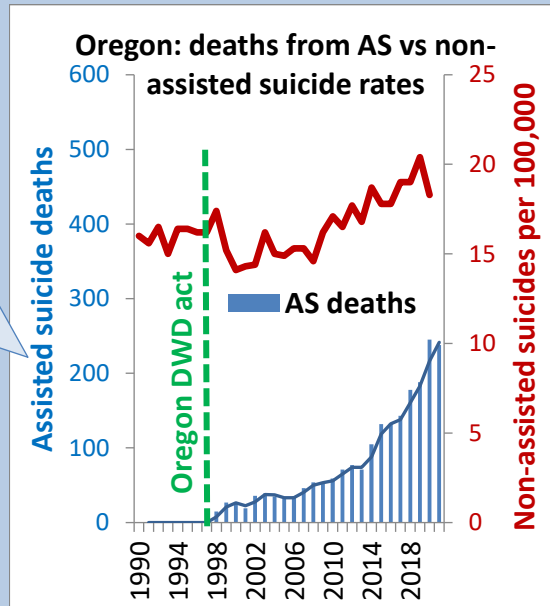


Assisted dying and non-assisted suicide



Non-assisted suicides in Oregon have risen by one third, despite legalising assisted dying ^{1, 2}

In 2022, only 3 patients in Oregon were referred for psychiatric evaluation ³



Current OECD data of suicide rates per 100k population:¹¹

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|-------------|------------|
| Belgium | 15.2 |
| Australia | 12.4 |
| Switzerland | 11.1 |
| Canada | 10.5 |
| Luxembourg | 10.9 |
| Netherlands | 10.0 |
| <u>UK</u> | <u>8.4</u> |

UK Office National Statistics ¹²

Showed suicide risk higher after diagnosis of serious illness, but then risk reduces.

This has been known for over 20 years, prompting suicide prevention

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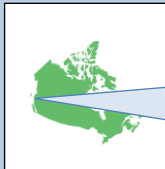
In Europe suicide rates have not decreased after the legalisation of assisted dying.⁴

Dutch non-assisted suicides have increased compared with Germany.⁴

Belgium now has the highest non-assisted suicide rate in women in Europe.⁴



In Canada non-assisted suicide rates increased 2016-19 (11-12.2/100k) then reduced in 2020 (10.1/100k) ⁵



In UK data confirms previous work that the risk of suicide is highest in the year after diagnosis, then the risk reduces.⁶ Suicide prevention is key.



In progressive neurological disease, a wish to die is strongly related to depression ⁷

Three quarters of those with a wish to die report being lonely and 60% have a clinical depression.⁸

Of Dutch psychiatric assisted deaths, 55% were depressed, 11% had no independent psychiatric input, and 20% never had a psychiatric inpatient stay ^{9, 10}

