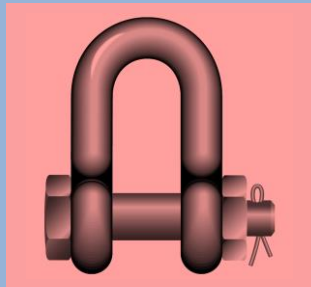


Assisted deaths - does legislation expand over time?



Q. Does assisted dying legislation change after becoming law?



A. Given time, all legislations gradually loosen their criteria

Numbers

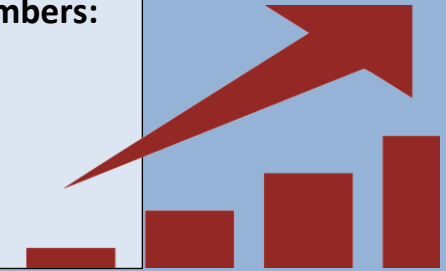
All legislations have seen rising numbers:

x 10 in Canada in 6 years ¹

x 5 in Switzerland in 10 years ²

x 4.5 in Oregon in 12 years ³

x 4 in Netherlands in 20 years ⁴



Canada

- **No longer requires a patient to be terminally ill (5 years after legislation) ⁵**
- **Currently planning to allow those with mental illness, learning disability and autism to be included⁶**

Netherlands and Belgium

- **Children and those with psychiatric illness now eligible for an assisted death ^{7, 8}**
- **New-borns less than a month old are euthanised ⁹**

US (Oregon and California)

- **Cooling-off period removed for 25% patients (Oregon) or reduced from 15 days to 48hrs (California) ^{10, 11}**
- **Non-terminal illness becomes eligible. In 2021 includes arthritis and anorexia.**

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