Email Subject, Research Participation Invite: Physician and Nurse Practitioner Attitudes on Medical Aid in Dying in Long Term Care Settings: A Qualitative Study

Email Body:

You are being invited to participate in a study entitled "Physician and Nurse Practitioner Attitudes on Medical Aid in Dying in Long Term Care Settings: A Qualitative Study", that we are conducting at Western University. You are receiving this email because you are a Western University Family Medicine Faculty member, part of the Ontario Long Term Care Association, or have expressed interest to the research team in learning more about participating in the research study.

Though the Ontario government encourages long-term care (LTC) homes to develop Medical Assistance in Dying (MAID) policies that suit their institution, and resources exist to assist with the development and implementation of these policies, there are no federal or provincial standardized frameworks for policies within the context of long-term care homes. Currently, there is no research or understanding of how healthcare providers are feeling towards how MAiD is being used in LTC settings. The research team is hoping to collect and analyze the major themes in healthcare provider attitudes and experiences with MAiD in LTC. Results from this project could potentially be used in discussions regarding MAiD related workflows or be discussed at conferences related to improving patient care.

Briefly, the study involves participation in one, semi-structured interview, lasting between 30-60 minutes. The interview will be conducted through videoconferencing and is an attempt to understand your attitudes and experiences with medical aid in dying in long term care home settings...

Please note, that you are only eligible to participate if you have or are currently working in a SW Ontario Long Term care home as a physician or nurse practitioner. In this study, SW Ontario is defined as Middlesex, Elgin, Oxford, Kent, Lambton, Huron, Perth and Essex.

For more information, please follow this link to review the Letter of Information and Consent: <a href="https://uwo.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV">https://uwo.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV</a> 8qpTIu3URQ5CXvo

We will coordinate an interview time with you based on your availability.

Thank you,

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