End of Life Assistance (Scotland) Bill

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Please would the Scottish Parliament Committee consider Margot MacDonald MSP's End of Life Assistance (Scotland) Bill extremely carefully?

I have been a medical partner in General Practice for 20 years in Scotland, and I find the idea that GP's could be asked to assist a patient to commit suicide, abhorrent. People are already able to die with dignity and a minimum of distress, we have an excellent health service. The Bill is poorly worded and is open to abuse.

The issue of assisted suicide has been debated before in both the Scottish and Westminster parliaments and it has been clearly opposed. The whole concept devalues individuals and puts pressure on vulnerable people.

The End of Life Assistance Bill needs to be opposed.

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