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**Doctors’ Group Softens Stance on Assisted Suicide**

The American Medical Association is considered the voice of America’s physicians but most doctors don’t belong. Only 15-18 percent are members. In June 2018, this dwindling group softened its stance on physician-assisted suicide.

Its council on ethical affairs recommended that its Code of Medical Ethics “not be amended,” and it wasn’t. But voting physicians rejected another recommendation that the AMA maintain its opposition to physician-assisted suicide. Instead, they voted to continue to *study* the issue.

A group supporting patients’ rights immediately criticized the decision. Helping patients kill themselves, they said, “is not medical care.”


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