

Want to improve your skills in end of life decision-making?

General practices can join our Pilot Study to receive free, accredited training about end of life law and more!



What is the ELLC Pilot Study?

End of Life Law for Clinicians (ELLC) is a free online training program for general practitioners, nurses, and other health professionals about Australian laws on end of life decision-making. It is funded by the [Australian Department of Health and Aged Care](#), and delivered by the [Australian Centre for Health Law Research](#) and Faculty of Health, Queensland University of Technology.

ELLC is **seeking expressions of interest from general practices** who wish to participate in the ELLC Pilot Study. The Study will explore the extent to which ELLC's end of life law training results in changes to health professionals' knowledge of end of life law, confidence applying the law in practice, and improvements in clinical practice. It will also examine barriers and facilitators to training uptake.

Participants will play an important role in evaluating the effectiveness of the ELLC training in general practice and recommending improvements.

What are the benefits of participating?

- » Involvement in Australian-first research to support health professionals to deliver high-quality end of life care
- » Receive CPD hours for module completion from the RACGP, ACRRM, or your professional organisation
- » Meet accreditation requirements under the [RACGP Standards for General Practices 5th edition](#)
- » Improved confidence, skills and knowledge in decision-making, advance care planning and palliative care
- » Access to legal resources that support optimal end of life decision-making
- » Gift cards as thanks for participating.

What does the Pilot Study involve?

GPs and Practice Nurses will be asked to complete seven of [ELLC's online training modules](#) and three short surveys pre and post-training. Some participants will be invited to participate in short interviews. The modules cover common legal issues that arise in end of life care including:

- » when consent to treatment is required
- » whether a person has decision-making capacity
- » when an Advance Care Directive must be followed
- » who is a person's substitute decision-maker
- » when life-sustaining treatment may be withheld or withdrawn
- » administering pain and symptom relief
- » voluntary assisted dying.

Want to be involved?

- 1 Read the [Pilot Study information sheet](#) and check your practice's eligibility to participate.
- 2 Complete an [expression of interest online](#). Expressions of interest close Friday 5 April 2024.

"I found the course excellent. Relevant to general practice, easy to follow." – Dr Judith Degner, GP