



The People's Charter on Dying, Death & Bereavement in Ireland



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I want to live and die in an Ireland where:

Death is talked about and not hidden away.

I can prepare for what lies ahead.

I can get relief from pain, no matter where I am being cared for or what condition I have.

I am treated as an individual and my wishes, choices and beliefs are respected.

I, and the people who care for me can get the practical services and support that we need.

I can get information to understand what is happening to me.

I can die, surrounded by the people I love, in a calm and comfortable place, in my home, if at all possible.

I am supported to stay in control of my own decisions.

My dignity is respected and maintained to the end of my life, and after my death.



For the people who matter to me, I want Ireland to be a country where:

People understand grief and do not avoid thinking or talking about it.

Family and friends are supported during a loved one's illness and after their death.

People get space and time to grieve, talk and remember.

