

### Welcome

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## **Objectives**

- · At the end of this broadcast, participants will be able to:
  - Describe the development of the current legislative framework around medical assistance in dying (MAiD)
  - Discuss some of the ethical questions related to MAiD in general and its implementation in Nova Scotia
  - Describe the roles that ethics support can play with respect to MAiD
    Engage in discussion with colleagues about MAiD

  - Participate in discussion of cases involving MAiD in the follow-up workshops

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# **Guiding Questions**

- What has helped shape your position on MAiD?
- · Has your perspective on MAiD shifted? Why?
- How are cases involving MAiD similar to other, more familiar cases? What is importantly different?
- What are the biggest challenges with MAiD for you?
- What do you consider to be the most challenging ethical tensions around MAiD?

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# **Guiding Questions**

- For example, how might MAiD challenge commitments to:
  - Balancing providing care and respecting providers' ethical convictions;
  - Balancing respect for autonomy and protection of potentially-vulnerable populations;
  - Fair resource allocation;
  - Providing the best possible care;
  - Providing patient-centered care;
  - Others?

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## **Broadcast Logistics**

- Polling
- Questions
- · Link recording

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## Workshops

- October 25<sup>th</sup> Northern Zone (Amherst)
- October 28th Eastern Zone (Antigonish)
- November 8<sup>th</sup> Western Zone (Liverpool)
- November 10<sup>th</sup> Central Zone (Dartmouth)
- \$40 Register at www.nshen.ca

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# Poll

# • What is the most significant ethical concern about MAiD from your perspective?

- A. Access by patients being unfairly denied
- B. Access by patients providers not available
- C. Reduction in support for palliative care services
- D. Shift in role of health care providers
- E. Requests from minors or via advance directive
- F. Interpretation of federal legislation preventing access
- G. Detrimental effects on particular individuals or populations

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#### Poll

- What do you think is the most important ethical issue related to medical assistance in dying?
  - A. Access in rural areas
  - B. Conscientious objection
  - C. Protecting vulnerable populations D. Requests in advance directives
  - E. Effect on perception of health care

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### **Ethical Concerns: Discussion Questions**

- What do you see as the most significant ethical concerns with medical assistance in dying? Why?
- What, if anything, has surprised you about recent conversations regarding medical assistance in dying?
- How would you suggest approaching ethical deliberation about medical assistance in dying with patients and families and health care teams?

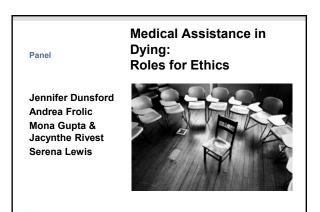
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#### Poll

- What sort of ethics support do you think is most effective with regard to MAiD?
  - A. Education
  - B. Debriefing soon after a particular event
  - C. Development of tools and quick-reference resources D. Facilitating general discussion about MAiD
  - E. Prebriefing and helping to prepare teams and families

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### **Roles for Ethics: Discussion Questions**

- How can ethics play an active role in the practice of MAiD?
- Has anything surprised you so far in regards to needs for ethics support since the introduction of MAiD?
- Where do you see the biggest challenges for ethics support in the administration and practice of MAiD?
- From your perspective, how may the need for ethics support in relation to MAiD differ from ethics support needs in relation to end-of-life care in general?

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# Conclusion

- Thanks
- Workshops
- Resources, supports, and further discussions

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