



ST LUKE'S HEALTH CENTRE

END OF LIFE CHOICE ACT REFERENDUM OCT 2020

Dear Patients,

New Zealand will be considering the 'End of Life Choice Act' in a referendum at the time of the upcoming election in October 2020.

If the majority of New Zealanders vote for it, this Act will become law. Unfortunately, this would place the doctors and nurses of New Zealand in a difficult position because euthanasia is unethical and if it is legalized this will place many of our patients in an extremely vulnerable position.

If this occurs we wish to ensure that all of our patients are aware that the doctors and nurses at St Luke's Health Centre will not provide euthanasia, nor refer patients for this as we feel this is inconsistent with good medical practice.

We will continue to make every effort to provide excellent health care, including palliative care.

Signed on 20/8/20

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