



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

Aged care providers 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 nurses, medical practitioners, 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 large providers of residential aged care and/or home care services** 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 aged care practice. It will also examine barriers and facilitators to training uptake.

Participating aged care providers will play an important role in evaluating the effectiveness of the ELLC training in aged care and recommending improvements.

### What are the benefits of participating?

- » Support providers to meet the [Strengthened Aged Care Quality Standards \(Final draft, 2023\)](#) (commencing on 1 July 2025)
- » Involvement in Australian-first research that supports high-quality end of life and palliative care in aged care
- » Improve staff confidence, skills and knowledge in advance care planning, end of life decision-making, and palliative care
- » Health professionals completing modules can receive CPD hours from their professional organisation
- » Gift cards as thanks for participating
- » Access to legal resources that support optimal end of life decision-making.

### What does the Pilot Study involve?

Nurse Practitioners, Registered Nurses, Enrolled Nurses and Managers at participating aged care providers 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 aged care when a resident is at the end of life, 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?

Eligible organisations who are providers of residential aged care and/or home care services may apply to be part of the study.

1 Read the [Pilot Study information sheet](#) and check your provider's eligibility to participate.

2 A representative of the provider may complete an [expression of interest](#) online. Expressions of interest close **Friday 13 September 2024**.

