

## Can euthanasia be legalized?

The word “euthanasia” cannot leave somebody indifferent. Nowadays this term is very controversial and one of the most popular problems under discussion. In medical science, euthanasia is an act of ending a life in order to prevent a person from pain and suffering. This process is a big reason for arguments in all levels of society. Some people claim that euthanasia is the right and humane way of averting distress while others insist on prohibiting the act, even regarding it as a premeditated murder. Let us consider this problem more carefully.

On the one hand, euthanasia should be legalized due to some reasons. First and the most important reason is that this action can stop torments of terminally ill people. In other words, it lets slowly dying people avoid constant, unbearable and severe pain, unconscious life with anaesthetics. Secondly, many bloggers (Geff White, Martha Kaufman and etc.) assert that maintenance costs are very high. A great amount of sources is used to maintain the life of such patients and euthanasia can help to save money from unnecessary expenses. As a result, it will give the opportunity to save more lives that can be exactly rescued and provide hospitals with more spare places.

On the other hand, euthanasia cannot exist and should be prohibited. First of all, religions are against this act. They say that either ordinary murder or homicide for welfare remain as a murder. All their canons are against the manslaughter and that is why they are very certain about incorrectness and cruelty of this operation. Secondly, medical mistakes can cause the wrong diagnoses. As a consequence, a life of a person who could have a real chance to recover and live ordinary life may be ceased. Finally, euthanasia can easily become one of the methods of committing a crime. Relatives and doctors can kill the patients, even if they have an opportunity to live, just to gain a profit.

Personally, I believe that every person has the right to life and, certainly, to take charge of this life. Everyone is the boss of their own existence. Consequently, in the question of euthanatizing, each patient has its own right to choose either to live or to die. This process, I think, should be automatized. If a patient decides to end a life, he or she just pushes the button and a deadly injection penetrates in vessels. Besides, Dr. Jack Kevorkian, known as activist for a terminal patient's right to die via physician-assisted suicide, declared: “The patient decides when it's best to go.” Thus, it is only the right of every person individually to decide what is the right solution for his condition.

Taking everything into consideration, I can say that euthanasia is a very contradictory question. This question can be interpreted in two ways: a very merciful way of ceasing the tortures of terminally ill people or just an ordinary crime. But in spite of all of this, the last word and decision remains after a patient on account of his right.