



CALIFORNIA CORRECTIONAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES

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1.40 END OF LIFE OPTION ACT: EXEMPTION POLICY	Attachments: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

I. POLICY

California Correctional Health Care Services (CCHCS) shall not participate in or allow its employees, independent contractors, or other persons or entities, including other health care providers, to participate in activities under the End of Life Option Act (California Health and Safety Code, Division 1, Part 1.85, Section 443-443.22) on premises owned or under the management or direct control of California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) or while acting within the course and scope of any employment by, or contract with, CDCR or CCHCS. Consistent with this policy, patients shall not be permitted to access aid-in-dying drugs under the End of Life Option Act. CCHCS shall continue to offer patients end of life care, including counseling, hospice and palliative care.

II. PURPOSE

To prohibit CCHCS employees, independent contractors, or other persons or entities, including other health care providers, from participating in activities under the End of Life Option Act for CDCR patients.

III. RESPONSIBILITY

The Chief Executive Officer or designee of each institution is responsible for the implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of this policy.

IV. REFERENCES

- California Health and Safety Code, Division 1, Part 1.85, Section 443-443.22
- California Correctional Health Care Services, Inmate Medical Services Policies and Procedures, Volume 4, Chapter 21, Palliative Care and Treatment