

2ND INTERNATIONAL END OF LIFE CONFERENCE ON ETHICS, LAW, POLICY AND PRACTICE
Satellite Workshop “Research monitoring medical end-of-life practices”

Date: Wednesday 13 September 2017, 1.30-4.00PM

Venue: Room 304, Schulich School of Law, Dalhousie University, 6061 University Avenue, Halifax

PROGRAM

Welcome

PART I – Setting a research agenda

Introductory talk: Priorities and strategies for end-of-life practices research – Luc Deliens

Panel discussion + Q&A from the floor (moderated by Kenneth Chambaere)

What are the key problems and issues to be researched? What (baseline) data do we need in anticipation of societal and regulatory changes? Which practices to monitor? How do we monitor and evaluate these practices? Where to find funding and support? How to create a fitting research environment? What is the importance of international comparative research? And other topics/questions received from participants before the workshop

Panel members: Luc Deliens (Brussels & Ghent BE), Joachim Cohen (Brussels BE), Agnes van der Heide (Rotterdam NL), Bregje Onwuteaka-Philipsen (Amsterdam NL), Lindy Willmott (Brisbane AUS), Margaret Battin (Utah USA)

Comfort Break

PART II – Large-scale mortality follow-back surveys as monitoring tool

Introductory talk: Essentials of the death certificate method – Kenneth Chambaere

Interactive plenary discussion (moderated by Joachim Cohen)

What are the pros and cons of these surveys? What are the barriers to successful implementation? How to ensure anonymity and confidentiality? How to negotiate ethics issues? How to maximise response rate? What are adequate alternative methods and their pros and cons? How to define the various end-of-life practices? What can and cannot be asked in such a survey?

Closing & farewell

REGISTRATION

Participation in this workshop is free but registration is necessary for organizational purposes. Please register via e-mail to kenneth.chambaere@vub.be. Registration closes on 7 September 2017 at 5.00PM or when we reach our maximum number of participants: 40.

Registrants are invited to submit questions or topics for the workshop discussions, which is possible via e-mail to kenneth.chambaere@vub.be.

Participants will receive a report of the meeting in the weeks following the workshop.