



Dutch Euthanasia Drug Breakthrough De-rails WA Legislative Change

The announcement this week that Dutch end of life organisation **Co-operative Last Wil** has developed a reliable, readily available, and legal end of life pill has been welcomed by Exit International Director Dr Philip Nitschke.

The breakthrough was announced on Dutch television on Friday on the prestigious Dutch current affairs program Nieuwsuur – The report is available in English on:
<https://translate.google.com.au/translate?hl=en&sl=nl&u=https://nos.nl/nieuwsuur/&prev=search>

2gm of this new product, dissolved in water, and taken as a drink, will provide a peaceful and reliable death. Dr Nitschke said that this development has the potential to radically change the global face of the voluntary euthanasia movement.

“With the wide, legal availability of this new drug, no one will bother with a restrictive euthanasia legislation that requires people close to death to obtain permission from a doctor to die. When the time is right, people craving a peaceful death, will simply take this new drug. No one will bother with the legislative safeguards in new proposed legislation, when this product becomes available.”

Exit will run a *Euthanasia & Suicide for Dummies* workshop in Perth @ Tuart Hill Function Rooms on Monday 4th with the goal of enabling elderly West Australians to obtain their own reliable euthanasia drugs so that they have absolute control over a decision to end their life. The Workshop will include a discussion of these new euthanasia drugs.

The heavily booked Perth workshop comes at the end of a national series run by Exit Director Dr Philip Nitschke who is now based in the Netherlands, in which well over 1000 elderly Australians have attended to learn about new DIY methods for a peaceful death.

Speaking from Melbourne, Dr Nitschke said that with new drugs becoming available, the debate in the WA parliament on a euthanasia law would be irrelevant.

“The cutting edge of the end of life debate is whether *all* adults over a certain age can be issued with effective end of life drugs. This new announcement of such a lethal product that can be legally obtained spells the end of the debate in Australia to introduce restrictive euthanasia laws.

“This European development represents the growing shift away from a medically controlled model, where the very sick need to satisfy the medical profession, to one that better reflects the issue of choice at the end of life as a fundamental human right, and the development of new available end of life drugs reflects this shift.”

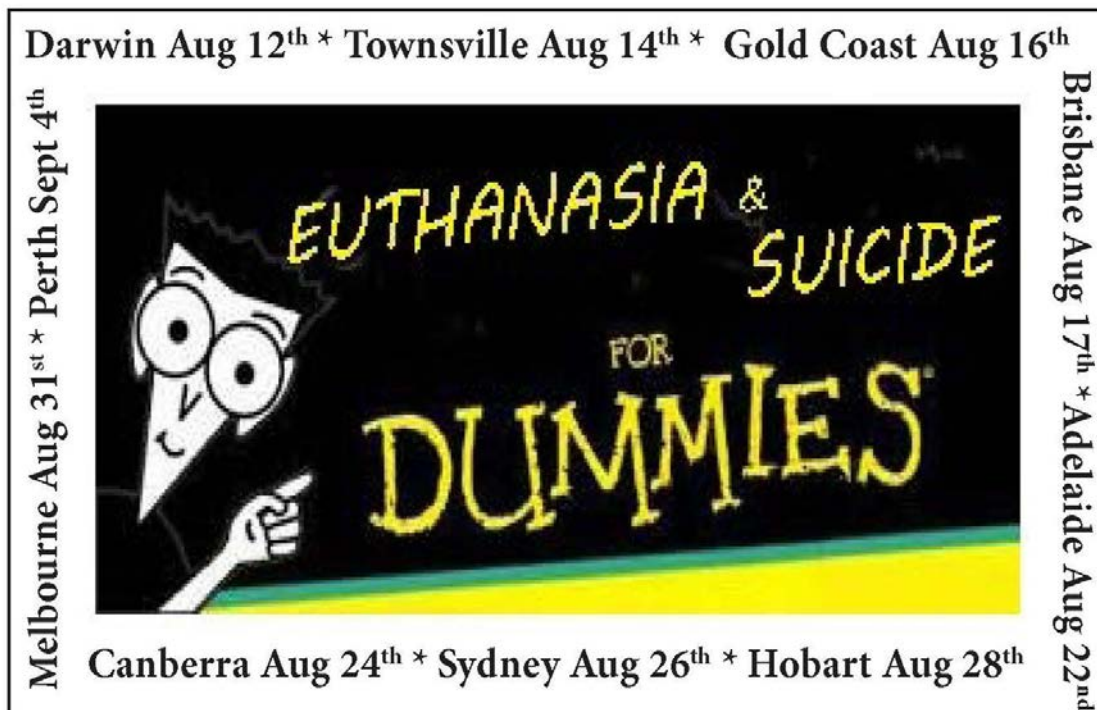
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Full Exit Workshop Details: Dates, Venues & Times listed below

More details from the Exit International website: <https://exitinternational.net/meetings/workshops/>

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September 4: Perth, 10am - 1pm, Tuart Hill Function Rooms, Cnr Cape and Stoneham Sts, Tuart Hill