

Assisted Suicide: People Abused and Exploited

Randy Stroup: Fighting Deadly Profit Motives

“No man has got the right to offer money to have somebody else killed.”

After requesting coverage for cancer treatment that had measurable success in easing cancer-attendant pain, Randy received a letter from the Oregon Health Plan that rejected his request and simultaneously offered end-of-life care and assisted suicide instead. Randy was able to advocate for himself despite the Plan’s offer.

Since the chemotherapy drug Randy requested would not certainly extend his life by 5 years, the state’s rationed care system rejected the request. Assisted suicide injects deadly profit motives into an already broken health care system.

