

Should Physician-Assisted Suicide (PAS) be Legalised in the UK? An Innovative Workshop Exploring Medical Students' Perspectives

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This workshop aimed to investigate students' perspectives on physician-assisted suicide (PAS) and its potential legalisation. A two-pronged strategy was used – a goldfish bowl roleplay simulation and a facilitated group discussion. The roleplay enabled students to engage with practical and emotional challenges related to responding to a PAS request, while the discussion encouraged open dialogue on the ethical complexities of legalising PAS. Students showed nuanced changes in perspectives on PAS by actively participating in roleplay and discussions, demonstrating the potential for these approaches to promote deeper understanding.

