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- To: All Interested Parties
- Re: Poll shows Nevada Voters Overwhelming Support "Medical-Aid-In-Dying"; More than 8 in 10 Want Option to Choose Medical-Aid-In-Dying [Similar to Laws in 10 States]

NEVADA SURVEY OVERVIEW

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Susquehanna Polling and Research, Inc., recently rated #1 most accurate polling firm in the USA by Real Clear Politicsⁱ, today released its **Nevada** Statewide Voter Attitude Survey on behalf of **Compassion & Choices**, testing attitudes and opinions towards end-of-life-care decision making, including giving families the option to pursue medical-aid-in-dying under the direct supervision of licensed physicians.

The poll is a random sample of 600 registered Nevada voters, weighted to state Census data and balanced by geographic region, age, political party affiliation and other factors. Conducted April 10-13 using live telephone agents, the poll includes interviews with N=600 voters and has a margin of error of +/-4.0% at the 95% confidence level. The key findings of the poll include the following:

- Eighty-four (84) percent of Nevada voters (Q3) believe a mentally sound adult with an incurable, terminal illness, who only has six months or less to live, should have the legal option to obtain prescription medication to pass peacefully in their sleep, known as "medical-aid-in-dying". When respondents are asked if they want the option of medical-aid-in-dying personally for themselves (Q4), 79% responded in the affirmative. Support for medical-aid-in-dying as a personal option is broad-based and includes majorities in key voter groups, including:
 - 76% of self-identified Democrats, 78% of Republicans and 76% of Independents, who are unaffiliated or have no connection to a major political party. Aside from support from major political parties, support from Independent and non-affiliated voters is an important cohort of support given that Nevada election records show that Nevada voters registered either Independent or with "no party affiliation" outnumber registered R's or D's.
 - o 72% of "pro-life" voters on abortion, and 83% of "pro-choice" voters
 - 79% of voters of voters with disabilities, and 78% of gun owners
 - 77% of Catholics, 80% of Protestants (inc. Lutherans), and majorities of voters in other religions.
 Catholics and Protestants currently account for more than 2 in 3 registered voters in the state.
 - o 79% of Caucasian voters, and 84% of non-White voters which includes Latinos, Asians and black voters.
- When respondents are told Nevada is one of 10 states giving terminally ill patients the legal option of medicalaid-in-dying (Q5), an overwhelming 86% support giving Nevadans this same right. This includes strong majorities of respondents regardless of political party, opinion on abortion, gender, age cohort, or political ideology.
- Nevadans are also strong believers in individual freedoms (Q6): By an 82:7 margin, they agree that terminally-ill patients with incurable diseases who have six months or less to live should have the personal freedom and legal right to dictate the terms of their dying [with the aid of medical-aid-in-dying].

ⁱ <u>https://www.realclearpolitics.com/rcp-pollster-rankings/2020/</u>