Voters in New York Support Medical Aid in Dying

**Support for Medical Aid in Dying is consistent across New York**

- **63%**
  - Upstate
- **64%**
  - Downstate
  - Suburbs
  - Nassau, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, Suffolk, Westchester
- **63%**
  - New York City

Source: Quinnipiac University
New York Voters Poll, May 2018

**By more than a 2–1 margin:**

- **63%** Support
- **29%** Oppose

New York State Voters Support “allowing doctors to legally prescribe lethal drugs to help terminally ill patients end their own lives.”

Source: Quinnipiac University
New York Voters Poll, May 2018

**Faith Communities and Leaders Support Medical Aid in Dying**

- Two-thirds of Americans agree:
  - **67%**
    - "When a person is facing a painful terminal disease, it is morally acceptable to ask for a physician’s aid in taking his or her own life.”
  
- Supporters’ Church Attendance:
  - **70%**
    - Of Catholics
  - **59%**
    - Of Christians
  - **53%**
    - Of Protestants
  - **70%**
    - Of people in other religions

  *According to a 2016 National LifeWay survey

- Levels of Observance:
  - **73%**
    - Nearly three out of four Americans agreed that:
      - “When a person has a disease that cannot be cured...doctors should be allowed by law to end the patient’s life by some painless means if the patient and his or her family request it.”

  **Supporters’ Church Attendance:**
  - **55%**
    - Weekly
  - **66%**
    - Nearly weekly/monthly
  - **87%**
    - Seldom/never

  **According to a May 2017 National Gallup poll**
Majority support for medical aid in dying in New York included virtually every demographic group the survey measured, including party affiliation, race, religion, sex, education level and age group.

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