



Patient Advocate Program

TEACH IN April 28, 2026

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Learn About the New Medical Aid in Dying Act in New York State

This new law that allows terminally ill residents with less than six months to live to request life-ending medication under strict safeguards.

DATE: Tuesday, April 28, 2026

TIME: 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

SPEAKER: Francesca Triest, Campaign Manager, Compassion and Choices

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Session Overview

Governor Kathy Hochul signed the Medical Aid in Dying Act (A.136/S.138, Chapter 714 of the Laws of 2025, with chapter amendments A.9515/S.8835, Chapter 1 of the Laws of 2026) on February 6, 2026, making New York the 13th state and 14th U.S. jurisdiction to authorize medical aid in dying. The law will take effect on August 5, 2026, allowing eligible adults to self-administer prescribed medication to end their life peacefully if suffering becomes unbearable.

In this session you will learn about:

- Eligibility Criteria
- Protections for Providers
- Religious Considerations
- Procedural Safeguards (including assessments, waiting periods, prevention of financial conflicts)
- Implementation and Oversight of this New Law

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Speaker: James Mellot, Director of Communications, Quality Improvement Organization (QIO)

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