



## The Catholic Women's League of Canada

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Protect Canadian youth  
from medical assistance  
in dying (MAiD) as mature  
minors.

*Uphold the category of  
“minor” until the legally  
recognized age of majority.*

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Currently, there is no standard process across Canada to assess capacity in a minor, and there is a lack of research evidence regarding the effects of MAiD on children, youth and families.

There is limited access to quality pediatric palliative care—care that should be available locally and in a timely manner, whether in a hospital or at home.

Some minors may request MAiD as a means of protecting their families from continued financial and/or emotional distress, especially if they are living with a disability and/or in the child welfare system.

MAiD could normalize suicide among young people, especially those who struggle with mental illness.