

Participatory Discussion on Health and Quality of Life

**Poor Health = Poor Quality of Life =
Emerging Eugenics Movement**



Has Iceland Eliminated Down Syndrome Through Abortion?

A report by CBS News highlights a nearly 100 percent termination rate in the pregnancies of Icelandic women whose fetuses test positive for Down syndrome in genetic screenings, but some have mischaracterized this report.

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Euthanasia, intellectual disabilities and autism

Here are two stories that have kept me awake at night.

A woman with mild intellectual disabilities couldn't live with her symptoms of tinnitus. A man with autism couldn't live with his symptoms of – well, autism. They lived in the Netherlands. They asked for euthanasia. Their request was granted. They died.

Tinnitus

The woman with tinnitus was in her sixties and had (so her doctors said) "limited coping abilities". She had been plagued by all sorts of different and terrible noises for over a decade. She had gone through many treatments – including a number of wrong ones – but she was not keen on them and often wanted to abandon them, and the people who treated her had not encouraged her to try and persevere.

She talked about euthanasia with her GP, but he didn't want to meet her request, so she registered with the End-of-Life Clinic (set up in 2012 to help people whose own doctors, for

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The Quiet Progress of the New Eugenics. Ending the Lives of Persons With Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities for Reasons of Presumed Poor Quality of Life

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