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Re: Submission of manuscript

Dear editor,

Herewith we would like to submit a manuscript for possible publication in BMC Medical Ethics entitled “Reporting of euthanasia and physician-assisted suicide in the Netherlands”. This manuscript is most appropriate for the section ‘Research articles’ in your journal.

This paper is the first study that provides insight in the Dutch review procedure by describing what physicians report about cases of euthanasia and which criteria are scrutinized by review committees. We further address euthanasia and physician-assisted suicide review procedures outside the Netherlands. We think that BMC Medical Ethics is an excellent platform to present our findings.

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Sincerely yours,

On behalf of the authors,

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