

# AMA CALLS FOR GREATER INVESTMENT AND COMMUNITY AWARENESS OF QUALITY END OF LIFE CARE

### AMA Position Statement on Euthanasia and Physician-Assisted Suicide 2016

This week the AMA released its updated Position Statement on Euthanasia and Physician-Assisted Suicide 2016. It replaces the Position Statement on the Role of the Medical Practitioner in End of Life Care 2007 (Amended 2014).

The updated Position Statement is the result of a comprehensive year-long policy review by the AMA, including a survey of AMA members, and was updated against the backdrop of increased community and political debate on euthanasia and physician-assisted suicide.

# **DIVISION MEETING REMINDER**

Reminder - the next and final meetings of 2016 of both the Southern and Northern Divisions of AMA Tasmania are scheduled as follows:

**Southern Division** - Tuesday 13th December 2016 @6.00pm at the Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania, Marieville Esplanade Sandy Bay with special guest - Prof Richard Hays.

### Northern Division - NO MEETING SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER

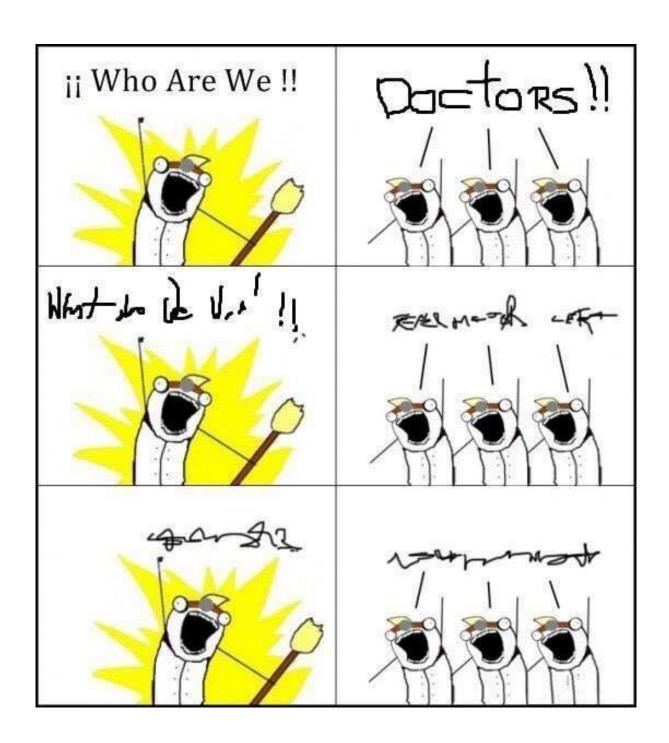
All Members and non-members are welcome. If you know of someone who would like to attend, invite them to participate. Light refreshments are provided.

**Important** - there will be no Division meetings held in January but will resume as normal in February 2017.

AMA Tasmania Board is keen to facilitate the North West Division meetings and to this end seeks expressions of interest or feedback from members.

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

- o 2016 AMA REPORT CARD ON INDIGENOUS HEALTH
- o AMA RELEASES PLAN TO ERADICATE RHEUMATIC HEART DISEASE (RHD) BY 2031
- o <u>EUTHANASIA AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTED SUICIDE 2016</u>



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