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**Subject:** RE: Death with dignity act complaints

Dr. Chandragiri,

Thank you for reaching out to us with this request, I will log the request as a public record request for records related to cases involving the Death with Dignity Act. I will follow up shortly once I consult with investigations staff to see if there are responsive records (i.e. if there were cases in this area). As Dr. Farris noted, complaint information is confidential and not disclosed to the public. We will be able to provide any public board orders in this area.

It sounds like you have reviewed the materials on the Oregon Health Authority website, there are [program annual reports](#) and [publications](#), but those may not have the information you are seeking.

Please let me know if you have questions in the meantime.

Thanks,

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Hello Dr. Chandragiri,

I will forward to those who can help. Our ability to comment on investigations is of course limited, but you may be able to get partial answers.

Best,

David

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Dear DR. Farris

I am planning to write a paper with reference to Oregon Death with dignity act and hospice palliative care. I am a practicing psychiatrist.  
I plan to write this paper with intent to submit to British medical Journal.

I wish to know in the 21 years since we have Death with dignity Act in Oregon, how many complaints has been filed against those who have practiced, do you have an yearly breakdown of numbers and broad categories of complaints that our medical Board has received.

Did any of the complaints after investigation get substantiated?

I know in 2020 only 2.2% of Oregon physicians practiced Death with dignity act.

I do not want the names or any details as it is required to maintain confidentiality of those who practiced.

I also want to know when they prescribe the combination of the medications, how does it reconcile with the DEA which is a federal law and Death with dignity act is a state law? I have not been able to find an answer to this question.

I researched the website on this law at OHA site but could not find any details.

If required , kindly treat this as a public record request to help me obtain this data. I will use the data to write my article which I plan to submit to the journal.

Sincerely,

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