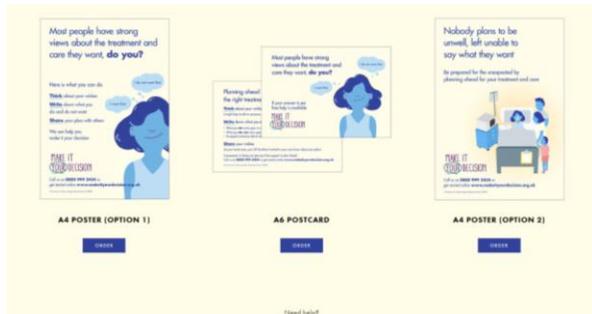


National Headliners

Make it Your Decision: This campaign is the first of its kind to encourage the public to plan ahead for their treatment and care to ensure that what matters to them is known about. The campaign will convey and provide resources on:

- the importance of considering, discussing and taking action to document your wishes
- the simple and free ways to plan ahead, and
- that there is support available to do so.



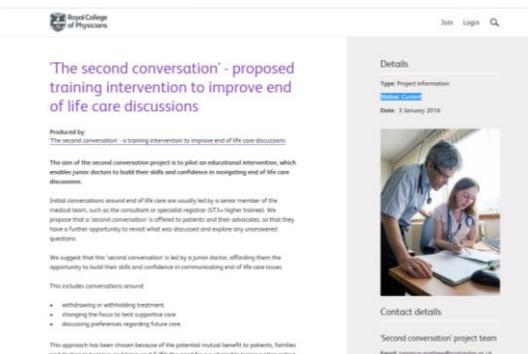
Access the Compassion in Dying Website [here](#)

Why Deciding right? It is crucial to put the individual at the centre of decision making:

- The Mental Capacity Act empowers individuals, partners, relatives and healthcare professionals to ensure decisions are tailored to each individual
- **Deciding right** enables professionals and organisations to comply with the MCA by filling the gap in practice, not just the knowledge gap

View the “Deciding Right” Website for more information [here](#)

'The second conversation' - proposed training intervention to improve end of life care discussions: This “training” pilot focuses on enabling junior doctors to build their skills and confidence in navigating end of life care discussions. View more [here](#)



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Public Health England publishes a new Report “Cost-effective commissioning of end of life care”: This report provides a literature review of the costs and effectiveness of different initiatives designed to improve patients and carers experiences at the end of life and describes a new EoLC economic tool and underpinning methodology. View [here](#)



Protecting and improving the nation's health

Cost-effective commissioning of end of life care

Understanding the health economics of palliative and end of life care

New NICE Guidance: End of life care for infants, children & young people with life-limiting conditions: This guidance covers ages 0–17 years with life-limiting conditions and aims to involve children, young people and their families in decisions about their care, and improve available support throughout their lives. Download the guidance [here](#)



Regional Updates

Save the Date: Free Consent and the Mental Capacity Act within Advance Care Planning training session on **Wednesday 5th July**, Taunton

- Understand the key rules and procedures of the Mental Capacity Act and how it connects with Advance Care Planning
- Review the latest case law on consent to treatment

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Working together in partnership to improve quality and care in End of Life in the South West