

## My Values

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## For each pair of statements, circle the response that fits best for you

- A I would accept others looking after me if I couldn't look after myself
- B I would not accept being permanently dependent on others for care if I couldn't look after myself

| Strong | Towards | Equal | Towards | Strong |
|--------|---------|-------|---------|--------|
| A      | A       | A & B | B       | B      |
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- A I would accept prolonged physical, emotional or spiritual suffering in order to live longer
- **B** I would accept dying in preference to living longer with physical, emotional or spiritual suffering

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- A As long as I have a sound mind I would accept physical limitations
- B Being able to be physically active is most important to me

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| A      | A       | A & B | B       | B      |

- A As I become frail and incapable, I expect my family or friends will look after me
- **B** I would **not** want medical treatment to prolong my life if I felt I would be a burden on family/community

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- A Being alive is the main thing; quality of life is a bonus
- **B** Quality of life is more important than living longer

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| A      | A       | A & B | B       | B      |
| A      | A       | A & B | В       | В      |

- A Living in my own home isn't as important as being safe and cared for
- B If I could no longer live in my own home, life would not be worth living

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- A I can see myself adapting to the loss of things that are currently important to me and making the best of new situations
- B If I could no longer do those things that are important to me, then life would not be worth living

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| A      | A       | A & B | B       | B      |

- **A** When difficult medical decisions need to be made, I would want everything to be considered including the doctors' recommendations, the wishes of my family together with my values
- **B** I expect **my** values to be the major consideration when difficult medical decisions need to be made into the future

| Strong Towards Equal Towards Strong A A B B B |
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Complete the full questionnaire at <a href="https://www.myvalues.org.au/">www.myvalues.org.au/</a>