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## A Doctor's View of Death With Dignity

## 2:00 pm -- Sunday, December 8, 2013 Temple Sholom, 3480 N. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago

#### with:

- **Dr. Jorge delCastillo**, NorthShore University Hospitals
- Dr. Dan Fintel, Northwestern Memorial Hospital
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Most doctors agree that people should be able to die in a dignified, pain-free fashion. Most are committed to keeping their dying patients comfortable through appropriate treatment and palliative care.

But what should a physician do when palliative care is no longer providing adequate relief and there are no more reasonable treatment options? Many of us have horror stories about loved ones who suffered horribly at end of life, despite the best painkilling efforts of the palliative team.

### What do doctors really think is the answer to this dilemma?

How do they feel about current laws in the states of Oregon, Washington, and Vermont that allow doctors to prescribe medication that terminally ill patients can use to end their own lives? Do they think these kinds of laws should be passed here in Illinois? Should it be standard medical practice for doctors to be legally able to help their patients end their suffering?

This panel will consider possible solutions to these questions, how the process can be monitored, and how we can promote legal changes to allow Illinois physicians to more fully help their patients.

# Join us for an exciting discussion with outstanding Chicago-area doctors. Admission Free

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