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STOP TELLING PORKIES MR GREENWICH!

Alex Greenwich is not one to let the truth get in the way of his story! Yesterday he said

The 2016 'Palliative Care Outcomes Collaboration Report' found four percent of terminal patients had severe pain and 6.5 percent had other severe physical symptoms.

It is a deliberate lie.

As the graph below shows the 6.5% figure relates to pain before the palliative care begins. The figure just before death of 2% also includes people who go home to die and cannot get the best drug treatment or choice to decline treatment for religious or cultural reasons.

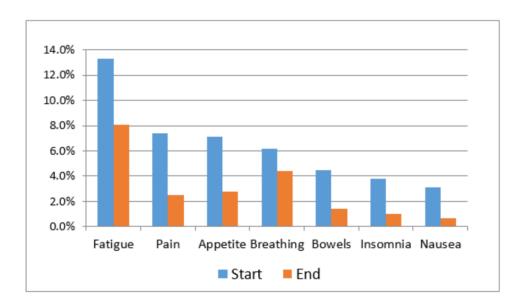


Fig. 1 Percentage of patients reporting severe distress at the beginning of palliative care and just before death

Only with a proper Parliamentary Inquiry can we ensure that the truth conquers the rhetoric on this difficult issue.

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