



## **Public Talk**

### **Advanced Health Directives**

Today (Monday March 27), Euthanasia Activist - Dr Philip Nitschke - will be joined by Sunshine Coast lawyer David Wise of Easy Legals Mobile to discuss the legal and political aspects of Advanced Health Directives.

According to Dr Nitschke “Queensland has the best Advanced Health Directives Laws in Australia. In Queensland, these important written documents allow people to very clearly refuse medical treatment once they are unable to speak for themselves.”

“This is not a ‘maybe’ or ‘if I feel like it’ situation for doctors. Rather doctors are legally obliged to respect their patients’ wishes when it comes to life sustaining treatment”, said Dr Nitschke.

“This contrasts with states like Western Australia where I always advise members of Exit – tongue in cheek of course - to avoid having their strokes if possible. There is no Living Will law in WA. Therefore there is no legal right to refuse treatment.

The Free Lunchtime Talk will be held at Maroochy Coach House at 46 David Low Way Maroochydore 12 noon Monday 27 March 2006.

The Talk will be followed by lunch (available for purchase @ \$6 per head).

At 2pm, Dr Nitschke will conduct a members-only Exit workshop focusing on the latest Helium – Exit bag technologies – a method of self-deliverance which provides a peaceful, hypoxic death and which leaves no trace, even at autopsy.

Information: Dr Fiona Stewart, Exit International 0417 398 401 or the Exit Office on 1300 10 EXIT