



# CHARITY WATCHLIST

## Alzheimer's Association



### EMBRYONIC STEM CELL RESEARCH

- The Alzheimer's Association's June 2011 [statement](#) regarding its support of human embryonic stem cell research (archived):

***"The Alzheimer's Association policy supports and encourages any legitimate scientific avenue that offers the potential to advance this goal, including human embryonic stem cell research; and, we oppose any restriction or limitation on research, provided that appropriate scientific review, and ethical and oversight guidelines and compliance are in place.***

***The ability of human embryonic stem cells to form any other type of human cell makes them perfect candidates for scientists to create better models of the healthy or diseased human brain for testing ideas, theories, therapies, etc."***

- A June 2017 [statement](#) promotes and applauds the utilization of human embryonic stem cells:

***The ability of human embryonic stem cells or iPSCs to form any type of human cell makes them attractive candidates for scientists to use to create alternative and complementary models of the healthy or diseased human brain for testing ideas, theories, therapies, etc.***

### ASSISTED SUICIDE

- For less than 3 months, AA had a working relationship with Compassion & Choices, one of the largest organizations promoting assisted suicide. AA released the following on Jan. 29, 2023, regarding [its decision to cut ties with the euthanasia advocates](#):

***"In an effort to provide information and resources about Alzheimer's disease, the Alzheimer's Association entered into an agreement to provide education and awareness information to Compassion & Choices, but failed to do appropriate due diligence. Their values are inconsistent with those of the Association. We deeply regret our mistake, have begun the termination of the relationship, and apologize to all of the families we support who were hurt or disappointed. Additionally, we are reviewing our process for all agreements including those that are focused on the sharing of educational information. As a patient advocacy group and evidence-based organization, the Alzheimer's Association stands behind people living with Alzheimer's, their care partners and their health care providers as they navigate treatment and care choices throughout the continuum of the disease. Research supports a palliative care approach as the highest quality of end-of-life care for individuals with advanced dementia."***

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#### Mission

Ending Alzheimer's and all other dementia by accelerating global research, early detection, and quality care.

#### Focus

brain and nervous system disorders, Alzheimer's Disease, and other forms of dementia