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NY Hospice Nuns Face Fines, Loss of License and Jail Time for not Bending to NY State Gender Regulations

On Mar. 18, 2024 the sisters of the Rosary Hill Home received letters from NY State notifying them they must conform to the NYS regulations to align patient care with the state's gender ideology laws.

Those laws require Rosary Hill Home and other long-term care facilities to house biological men in women's rooms even over the opposition of a female roommate, to permit residents and their visitors of one sex to access bathrooms set aside for those of the opposite sex, to use false pronouns, to use language and "create communities" affirming patients' sexual preferences, and to accommodate patients desire for extramarital sexual relations.

For 125 years the Dominican order of nuns at Rosary Hill Home have cared for those dying of incurable cancer during the last months of their lives. The sisters charge nothing for the care and attribute their ability to comfort and care for so many dying patients to their faith and the presence of the Eucharist.

Mother Marie Edward, General Superior of the Dominican nuns, said: "We Sisters have taken care of patients from all walks of life, ideologies, and faiths. We treat each patient with dignity and Christian charity. We have never had complaints. We cannot implement New York's mandate without violating our Catholic faith." <https://tinyurl.com/bd hx67zt>

The lawyer for the Dominican Sisters stated that the nuns don't even have such patients and never have. "It's the state requiring these holy nuns to bend the knee to an ideology contrary to their faith."

In other words, the Dominican Sisters of Hawthorne may have been enlisted in a nonexistent battle they have no desire to fight, in a culture war far from their work caring for the dying. Read details here: <https://tinyurl.com/yc7awa9a>