

Leaving patients to die without food or fluid

SIR - Louise Broughton (Letters, January 11) is right: "no medical intervention" does mean withdrawal of food and fluid, as the Tony Bland case in 1992 decided that food and fluid count as medical treatment.

Nursing staff who provide these are

acting humanely, but there is no legal obligation to do so where medical intervention is withdrawn.

It is time the law was changed.

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