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Supporting an Opinion

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It is important to use a variety of reasons to support your opinion. The chart below will help you organize your ideas. Do not try to use all of the categories. Select only those that seem most important for this issue.

Opinion statement:			
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Category	Reasons or Evidence
H Health	
Medical benefits or concerns? Safety issues?	
E Ethical	
Any known laws or rules? What is right or wrong, fair or unfair?	
L Learning	
Are there educational benefits or harms?	
P Personal	
Beliefs, traditions, or cultural ideas? Any socialemotional concerns?	
E Expense	
Any costs? Who pays? Time, money or resources wasted?	
R Realistic	
Will it work? What is the evidence?	