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End of Life Care & Legal Management CONFERENCE



Strategies for Resolving the Ethical and Legal Complexities of End of Life Healthcare Decisions

Featured Speakers Include:



Senator Bill Monning
California



Dr. Marie Hilliard
National Catholic
Bioethics Center



Sarah Hooper
University of California



Bart Windrum
Axiom Action

Conference Highlights:

- ✓ Advanced care planning and palliative care
- ✓ Medical ethics and professional practice
- ✓ Emerging issues in healthcare law (financial, guardianship, and care management)

Pre-Conference Workshop
October 19th, 2015:

**Moving ACP Upstream:
Tools and Frameworks
for Clinical Practice**

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PRE CONFERENCE WORKSHOP: MONDAY, OCTOBER 19TH, 2015

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8:00 Networking Breakfast & Registration

9:00 WORKSHOP: Moving ACP Upstream: Tools and Frameworks for Clinical Practice

- Describe model approaches to comprehensive advance care planning
- Apply clinical and legal frameworks for assessing decision making capacities
- Define differences between ACP tools/documents
- Define differences between types of legally recognized decision makers, and be able to list characteristics of "good" decision makers
- Understand the significance of socioeconomic status and other social determinants in patient-centered advance care planning

- Define ethical issues for interprofessional providers working with adults in advance care planning

Helen Kao, MD, Associate Professor of Medicine, Medical Director, Geriatrics Clinical Programs, **UC San Francisco**

Sarah Hooper, Assistant Director of UCSF / UC Hastings Consortium and Adjunct Professor, **UC Hastings**

10:30 Networking Break-Tea & Refreshments

12:30 Networking Lunch

3:00 Networking Break-Tea & Refreshments

3:30 Close of Pre-Conference Workshop Day

DAY ONE: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20TH, 2015

8:00 Networking Breakfast & Registration

9:00 Welcome from GHP Network

9:10 Opening remarks from the Program Chair:

Joy Loverde, Author of *The Complete Eldercare Planner: Where to Start, Questions to Ask; How to Find Help* (Revised and Updated, 2009, Random House)

9:20 KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Companions on the Journey: Ethics of Health Care at Life's End

- Explore the dimensions of suffering, and the role of the care giver in its alleviation
- Differentiate between active and passive euthanasia and their moral dimensions
- Analyze the legal and ethical obligations of the care giver to alleviate suffering, not the sufferer

Dr. Marie Hilliard, Director of Bioethics and Public Policy, **National Catholic Bioethics Center**

10:20 First Comes Change, Then Chaos: Welcome to the Crazy World of Family Caregivers

- America has Major Misconceptions on Aging (SeniorCare.com April 2015 Survey)
- Singledom and the Need for Patient Advocates
- Talking into the Family Caregiver's Reality

Joy Loverde, Author of *The Complete Eldercare Planner: Where to Start, Questions to Ask; How to Find Help* (Revised and Updated, 2009, Random House)

11:00 Networking Break - Tea & Refreshments

11:30 Medical and Legal Partnerships to Plan for End of Life Care

- Understand the medical-legal partnership (MLP) model, its history, and evidence base
- Understand the role of lawyers in addressing social determinants of health in patient-centered advance care planning
- Understand the legal issues impacting the health and quality of life of older adults
- Understand the particular approach to advance care planning taken by the UCSF-UC Hastings Medical- Legal Partnership for Seniors, and the potential for expanding the model

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12:30 Networking Lunch Break

1:30 Windrum's Matrix of Dying Terms™ - Place Names for Navigating our Dying Territory

- Understand the context for and genesis of Windrum's Matrix, its structure and its language (landing names and their meanings)
- Personalize engagement with the Matrix by trying every landing name "on for size"
- Appreciate what the Matrix reveals about ownership and control over our dying
- Better distinguish between dying situations

Bart Windrum, End of Life Author and Speaker, **Axiom Action**

2:30 Networking Break - Tea & Refreshments

3:00 Lessons from the Dying: What Hospice Can Teach Healthcare about Responding to Suffering

- Describe the Hospice philosophy of care
- Distinguish "suffering" from "pain" and "discomfort"
- Recognize pervasive sources of suffering in the conduct of health care
- Define and identify "existential suffering"
- Explore evidence-based responses to existential suffering
- Apply learning to improve practice and systems of care

Jennifer Ballentine, Vice President, **Hospice Analytics**

3:40 PANEL DISCUSSION: How the End of Life Option Act Affects the Healthcare Community

All speakers and delegates are invited to participate in this open floor discussion on the medical, legal, ethical, and spiritual effects of physician assisted suicide

4:50 Close of Day One from the Program Chair:

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5:00 Networking Reception & Cocktail Hour

"Speakers very knowledgeable of topic; Great discussion among the participants." -Baylor Medical Center at Frisco

8:30 Networking Breakfast

9:00 Opening Remarks from the Program Chair:

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9:10 An Individual's Right to Decide: The End of Life Option Act

- Provide background and personal motivation for authoring SB 128, the End of Life Option Act.
- Detail provisions included in the legislation.
- Itemize the safeguards included in the legislation and the importance of these safeguards.

Senator Bill Monning, 17th District of California

10:10 Creating an Advance Care Planning Continuum that Works

- Describe key elements & related strategies for effective ACP
- Describe difference between an Advance Directive & POLST
- Identify barriers and solutions to community, professional, and organizational engagement in ACP

Judy Thomas, Chief Executive Officer, [Coalition for Compassionate Care of California](#)

10:50 Networking Break - Tea & Refreshments

11:20 Psychiatric Issues in Death with Dignity: Theory and Practice

- Participant to discuss and consider the factors related to death with dignity (message of talk)
- Participant to understand factors considered in determination of capacity for medical decision making
- Participant will be able to discuss psychological ramifications of the diagnosis of a life-threatening illness

Amy Christianson, Psychiatrist, [Cedars-Sinai](#)

Amanda Ruiz, Psychiatrist, [Cedars-Sinai](#)

12:20 Networking Lunch Break

1:20 Good Grief at the End of Life

- Defining the changes that sometimes happen at the end of life, in the dying person and those around them
- Identifying what makes change possible in dire circumstances and how, as professionals working with dying people, we can support those changes

- Discussion of the depth of experience at the end of life and how to create environments which honor its sacred quality
- Discussion of the impact of impending death on how people interact with legal and ethical

Cheryl Jones, Grief Counselor, [Good Grief Radio](#)

2:20 Creating Synergistic Health & Legal Care Plans for the Seriously Ill Patient

- Describe Palliative Care in the context of multi-year serious illness with an unclear prognosis
- Recognize legal need as a palliative need for the seriously ill patient and family
- Appreciate the critical role that all care providers play in identifying and assessing patients with health-related financial or legal problems.

Dr. Lynn Hallarman, Director of Palliative Care, Associate Professor of Medicine, [Stony Brook Medicine](#)

3:00 Networking Break - Tea & Refreshments

3:30 SB-128 End of Life Option Act and What We Have Learned from the Oregon Death with Dignity Act Experience

- Provide a brief history of the Death with Dignity movement in the States
- Provide overview of SB-128 End of Life Option Act and highlight unique requirements and protections
- Showcase stories and results from the Oregon Death with Dignity Act experience

Toni Broadus, California Campaign Director, [Compassion and Choices Organization](#)

4:10 When a Child is Dying

- Identify issues unique to pediatric end of life care
- Discuss informed consent in pediatric cases
- Describes ethical challenges faced in pediatric end of life situations

Helen Turner, Pediatric Clinical Nurse Specialist, [Doernbecher Children's Hospital/Oregon Health & Science University](#)

5:10 Close of Conference from the Program Chair:

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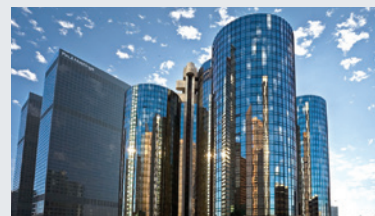
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