EXPECTATIONS ARE EVERYTHING: HOW HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE CLINICIANS CAN FOSTER PATIENT/FAMILY PREPAREDNESS AND COPING

DESCRIPTION:
Preparing patients and families to cope with life-limiting illness, distressing symptoms, debilitation, and demanding care needs is a complex and challenging task. Uncertainty about prognosis, dealing with the many unknowns, and competing preferences for information can lead to distorted beliefs about future events. This program will review current research on what hospice patients and families need to know in order to foster preparedness, highlight common myths and misperceptions that lead patients and families to have unrealistic expectations, and provide a deeper understanding of how expectations contribute to reactions of dissatisfaction, guilt, anger, disappointment, hopelessness, and grief.

PROGRAM DETAILS:
This presentation features experienced professionals offering their own expertise on the topic. On the screen, you will see the slide presentation and will be able to hear the experts talking and presenting. If you login for the live version of the program, you’ll also have the opportunity to email the experts questions that they will discuss and answer during the program’s Q & A session.

**LIVE DATE:** July 19, 2016  
**TIME:** noon to 1:30pm ET  
**ON DEMAND:** to registered organizations and individuals through July 18, 2017  
**LENGTH:** 90 minutes  
**CÉS:** 1.5 hours for a wide variety of professional boards  
**CE FEE:** $7.00 per participant  
**TARGET AUDIENCE:** Health care clinicians, social service clinicians and others working in the hospice, palliative care, counseling, hospital, nursing home, funeral home or faith community environments

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this webinar, participants will be able to:

1. Summarize current research on what hospice patients and families need to know in order to foster preparedness and coping;
2. Describe common myths and misperceptions that lead patients and families to have distorted expectations;
3. Discuss how personal beliefs about control over events (e.g., self-efficacy) are related to expectations; and
4. Explain how expectations can contribute to reactions of dissatisfaction, guilt, anger, disappointment, hopelessness, and grief.

PROGRAM OUTLINE:

I. What Patients and Families Need to Know  
   a. Look at current research  
   b. Understand skills needed to foster coping  
   c. Describe common myths and misperceptions

II. Managing Expectations  
   a. The role of self-efficacy  
   b. Emotions brought on by misunderstood expectations  
   c. Interventive techniques to address these responses
III. Changing Expectations to Enhance Family Preparedness
   a. Evidence-based interventions in working with families
   b. Improving communication

CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE) CREDITS:
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EXPERT SPEAKER:
**John Cagle, MSW, PhD,** is an assistant professor at the University of Maryland-Baltimore, School of Social Work with a substantive interest in improving care at the end of life. As a translational health services researcher, his efforts have focused on identifying effective models of care and support for dying patients and their families – and implementing those models into routine clinical practice. His research is informed by nearly a decade of clinical work as a hospice social worker. Dr. Cagle completed his PhD from Virginia Commonwealth University where his dissertation thesis explored the needs and experiences of informal caregivers of advanced cancer patients.

After being awarded his doctoral degree in 2008, he trained as an NIA-funded postdoctoral fellow at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Institute on Aging as well as the University of California, San Francisco, Division of Geriatrics. His current research examines disparities in care at the end of life, psychosocial barriers to pain management, and improving palliative care outcomes in long-term care settings. His research has been supported by a number of public and private entities, including the Hospice Foundation of America, the National Palliative Care Research Center, the John A. Hartford Foundation, the National Institute on Aging, the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization, and the Foundation for Care at the End of Life.

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