

## Hospice Foundation of America's Program

# EXTRAORDINARY EXPERIENCES AT THE END OF LIFE CURRENT RESEARCH AND CLINICAL IMPLICATIONS

### Self-Study ONLINE Course

#### DESCRIPTION

Extraordinary experiences at end of life -- such as deathbed visions, out-of-body journeys and near-death experiences -- have been recorded since the beginning of human history but did not enter the realm of contemporary academic research until the 1970s. Since then, the topic has been widely studied, and reports from resuscitated patients have entered the medical mainstream through the work of contemporary researchers. In this webinar Dr. Terri Daniel and Dr. Kenneth Doka discuss the most current research in this area and how it can be used to support patients having these experiences and promote acceptance of these experiences in clinical settings. Dr. Doka draws upon examples from his new book, "When We Die: Extraordinary Experiences at Life's End."

#### PROGRAM DETAILS

Hospice Foundation of America has taken its popular webinar program and created a self-study course for professionals. The online 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.

<b>RELEASE DATE:</b>	Program originally premiered October 6, 2020
<b>ON DEMAND:</b>	to registered individuals for 1 year after purchase
<b>LENGTH:</b>	90 minutes
<b>CE HOURS:</b>	1.5 hours for a wide variety of professional boards
<b>CE FEE:</b>	One CE certificate is included in the cost of registration. Additional certificates (if selecting more than one board) are \$10 each.
<b>CONTENT LEVEL:</b>	The program is mainly for professionals already working in the field, but is practical for all levels of education – entry level, intermediate or advanced.
<b>TARGET AUDIENCE:</b>	The course is useful to Health care clinicians, social service clinicians and others working in the hospice, palliative care, counseling, hospital, nursing home, funeral home or faith community environments

#### HOW THE ONLINE SELF-STUDY PROGRAM WORKS

**Step 1** - Register/purchase the course

**Step 2** - View the course online through the link in your confirmation email or in your account.

**Step 3** - Follow the instructions provided to receive your CE certificate\*.

\*An evaluation and a short exam are a part of this process.

#### TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

To view this online program, you will need a computer and screen, reliable internet access, and speakers. Please test your system ahead of time to ensure you have the capabilities to view and hear the program. Mobile service provider charges may apply.

TEST LINK for Audio and Video:

<http://hospicefoundation.org/Professionals/All-Programs/All-Self-Studies/Video-Test-Page>

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION/FEEES

Register directly online, on HFA's website: [www.hospicefoundation.org](http://www.hospicefoundation.org). To have a registration form mailed to you, contact HFA at 800-854-3402 or by email at [educate@hospicefoundation.org](mailto:educate@hospicefoundation.org).

For current prices, please refer to HFA's website at [www.hospicefoundation.org](http://www.hospicefoundation.org).

**There are no refunds on registration.** \*Few exceptions may occur depending on the circumstance. To request a refund, a written request must be received (and granted) by HFA.

## REGISTRATION POLICY

### INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION

Provides one person, the registrant, access to the self-study course for personal viewing.

### MULTIPLE VIEWER REGISTRATION

Provides one person, the registrant, access to the webcast for streaming from one computer to a group of people. Program access fees remain the same; CEs are included in course fees for the registered user and are \$12 per additional participant per course. **Please note that self-study courses accommodate individual learners only unless prior arrangements are made through HFA for additional certificates.** Contact HFA at 202-457-5811 or email us at [educate@hospicefoundation.org](mailto:educate@hospicefoundation.org) to register the additional participants.

## MATERIALS AREA

Course materials are accessible to all registered individuals immediately after registering. Program materials are available on HFA's website at <https://hospicefoundation.org/Shop-HFA/My-Account>. From here, click on "Orders/Courses." Materials contain the full-length video, CE instructions, the program's slides, and additional program material. Information will be posted to your account as they become available.

## LEARNING OBJECTIVES

AT THE CONCLUSION OF THIS PROGRAM, PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ABLE TO:

1. Compare various types of extraordinary experiences: near-death (NDE), visitations, dreams.
2. Demonstrate familiarity with current clinical research on near-death experiences.
3. Utilize knowledge of extraordinary experiences in end-of-life clinical work.
4. Discuss how this material can be used to support patients and clients at the end of life.

## PROGRAM OUTLINE

- I. Types of EOL extraordinary experiences (15 minutes)
- II. Historical, religious and cultural influences (10 minutes)
- III. Current research (20 minutes)
- IV. How to support patients having these experiences (20 minutes)
- V. Promoting acceptance of these experiences in clinical settings (15 minutes)
- VI. Question and Answer Session (10 minutes)

## CONTINUING EDUCATION

This program is available for 1.5 credits of continuing education. CE credits are available to the registered participant online (after completing the course). One CE certificate is included in the cost of registration. Additional certificates (if selecting more than one board) are \$10 each. A complete list of board approvals for this course is posted to HFA's website (at [www.hospicefoundation.org](http://www.hospicefoundation.org)).

## COURSE COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS

Participants must view the entire 90-minute program (online-streaming video). Partial credit is not awarded. Participants must also complete the entire CE process online, before the CE deadline (1 year after purchase of course). In order to go online, two codes will be issued to you and verified online; a Site # (same as your Order/Invoice #) and the Course Code (provided in your CE instruction sheet). The online CE process includes a required evaluation form and exam. The exam must be completed at 80% or above (the exam

may be re-taken, if necessary). Attendees will be able to choose the board they wish to receive credit from (from Hospice Foundation of America's list of board approvals\*). Participants will then be able to print their CE certificate immediately after completing all CE requirements online (on HFA's CE site at <https://educate.hospicefoundation.org>).

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## EXPERT SPEAKERS

**Dr. Terri Daniel, CT, CCTP**, is a hospice and hospital-trained spiritual care provider and educator certified in death, dying and bereavement by the Association of Death Education and Counseling and in trauma support by the International Association of Trauma Professionals. The focus of her work is to assist dying and grieving individuals to discover a more spiritually-spacious understanding of death, grief, and beyond. She conducts workshops throughout the U.S., and also teaches in the *Interreligious Chaplaincy* program at the Graduate Theological Union and the *Spirituality and Mental Health* program at the University of Redlands. She is the founder of the [Conference on Death and Afterlife Studies](#) and the [Ask Doctor Death](#) podcast. Terri has a BA in Religious Studies from Marylhurst University, an MA in Pastoral Care from Fordham University, and a Doctor of Ministry in Pastoral Care and Counseling from the San Francisco Theological Seminary.

**Kenneth J. Doka, PhD, MDiv**, is Senior Bereavement Consultant to HFA and recipient of the 2019 Lifetime Achievement Award from the Association for Death Education and Counseling. He serves as editor of HFA's *Living with Grief*<sup>®</sup> book series and its *Journeys* bereavement newsletter. He is a prolific author, editor, and lecturer; past president of the Association for Death Education and Counseling (ADEC); and a member and past chair of the International Work Group on Death, Dying, and Bereavement (IWG). In 2018, the IWG presented Doka with the Herman Feifel Award for outstanding achievement in thanatology. He received an award for Outstanding Contributions in the Field of Death Education from ADEC in 1998. Doka is an ordained Lutheran minister and a licensed mental health counselor in the state of New York.

## REVIEWER

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## **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Planners (Panelists and Reviewers) disclose no conflict of interest relative to this educational activity.

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