

Hospice Foundation of America's Program

ETHICS IN ACTION DILEMMAS AT THE END OF LIFE

Online CE Course

DESCRIPTION

The principle that good clinical practice requires sound ethical practice can be especially true when dealing with patients facing the end of life. Working knowledge of key medical terminology is a pre-requisite in therapeutic conversations that determine course of treatment. Mental health professionals can play a pivotal role in end-of-life care where dilemmas of the human condition and intersection of diversity factors often complicate medical decisions. In this workshop, case examples from a hospital-based palliative care service will allow attendees to simulate ethical decision-making and interdisciplinary team participation while providing mental health assistance to patients at the end of life.

PROGRAM DETAILS

The online presentation features an experienced professional offering their own expertise on the topic. On the screen, you will see the slide presentation and will be able to see and hear the expert presenters.

RELEASE DATE:	Program originally premiered January 11, 2022
ON DEMAND:	Viewing available to registered individuals for 6 months after purchase.
LENGTH:	90 minutes
CE HOURS:	1.5 hours
CONTENT LEVEL:	The program is mainly for professionals already working in the field, but is practical for all levels of education – entry level, intermediate or advanced.
TARGET AUDIENCE:	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 COURSE 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 – Complete the online exam and evaluation

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

A computer and reliable internet connection. Mobile service provider charges may apply.

REGISTRATION AND COURSE MATERIALS

Register directly online, on HFA's website: 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.

Course materials include the online program video, slides, and viewer guide. All course materials are accessible online immediately after registering.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

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

- 1) Describe the concept of death competence for practicing psychology in end-of-life care settings.
- 2) List and define five ethical principles that guide professional behavior in palliative care.
- 3) Describe how cultural diversity impacts provision of clinical care at the end of life.

PROGRAM OUTLINE

I.	Introduction	(2 minutes)
II.	Death Competence	(8 minutes)
III.	Case 1	(10 minutes)
IV.	Five P Model for Ethical Decision-Making	(8 minutes)
V.	Case 2	(10 minutes)
VI.	Diversity & Cultural Humility	(18 minutes)
VII.	Case 3	(10 minutes)
VIII.	Discussion with Q & A	(24 minutes)

CONTINUING EDUCATION

This program is valid for 1.5 contact hours of continuing education. View the current list of board approvals on HFA's website at www.hospicefoundation.org, located on the program's registration page.

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 a certificate is awarded. 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).

EXPERT SPEAKERS

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