

## **Learning Objectives for Social Worker and Chaplain Fellows**

- 1. Explain palliative care to patients and families
- 2. Discuss hospice care with patients and families
- 3. Articulate the role and function of your profession (chaplain or social worker) in palliative care
- 4. Lead a discussion on communicating bad news to patients and families
- 5. Give bad news to children at different ages
- 6. Assess and treat anxiety and depression
- 7. Facilitate an advance care planning discussion with patients and families
- 8. Discuss palliative care, death and dying with patients and families from diverse cultural and ethnic backgrounds
- 9. Manage spiritual distress in patients and families
- 10. Navigate ethical issues in palliative care
- 11. Navigate legal issues in palliative care
- 12. Assesses patient's environmental, social, and financial resources as they relate to care provision
- 13. Create a care plan to improve comfort and quality of life for patients experiencing "total pain" (the multidimensional factors related to pain)
- 14. Conduct a spiritual assessment of patient and family's needs and reassessments as needed
- 15. Conduct a psychosocial assessment of patient and family's needs and reassessments as needed
- 16. Develop a comprehensive, individualized plan of care with patients and families, based on a spiritual or psychosocial assessment
- 17. Communicate effectively on a palliative care interdisciplinary team
- 18. Apply knowledge of medical terminology, medications, and disease process common to palliative care
- 19. Provide support to families of actively dying patients
- 20. Provide support to patients and families regarding anticipatory grief
- 21. Assess families' grief and bereavement needs, including risk for complicated grief in family or caregivers
- 22. Deliver teaching sessions in palliative care