

The National Institute of Nursing Research and Partners Present a Summit on
THE SCIENCE OF COMPASSION
Future Directions in End-of-Life and Palliative Care

Save the Date

August 10–12, 2011
Hyatt Regency Bethesda

Summit Objectives

- Examine the current status of palliative care and end-of-life research, practice, and policy
- Propose strategies to overcome barriers and ensure scientific and methodologic rigor in our research
- Delineate new action items that galvanize progress in this vital area of science
- Envision and map pathways to ensure a future rich with scientific endeavor and achievements

Who Should Attend

This Summit will bring together scientists, researchers, palliative and end-of-life care health professionals, educators, policy makers, members of professional organizations and individuals with life-limiting illnesses as well as their caregivers.

Key Dates

Online Registration and
Abstract Submission Open
March 29, 2011

Abstract Submission Deadline
May 9, 2011

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Confirmed Speakers

- Dr. Ira Byock
- Dr. Richard Payne
- Dr. Randy Curtis
- Dr. Amy Abernethy
- Dr. Joan Teno
- Dr. Pamela Hinds
- Dr. Christine Miaskowski
- Dr. Jean Kutner
- Dr. Jennifer Temel



For more information and to register online,
please visit www.ninr.nih.gov/scienceofcompassion



Pre-Summit Town Hall Event

Prior to the Summit a town hall event will bring together, for the first time, individuals with a variety of scientific and practice backgrounds, those diagnosed with life-limiting illnesses and their caregivers or significant others, policy makers and others who are driving the scientific research agenda. Highlights include opening remarks by NINR Director Patricia A. Grady, an exploration of key issues in palliative care and end-of-life research by invited scientific and policy speakers and an opportunity to engage in a public discussion and interactive dialogue.

Call for Abstracts/Evening Poster Reception

A poster session will be held in conjunction with the Summit's Evening Reception which will feature desserts, coffee, and dialogue with top researchers in end-of-life and palliative care. Abstracts addressing a variety of themes in palliative care and end-of-life research are particularly encouraged. You may submit your abstract online when registering for the Summit. Abstracts will be peer reviewed and all submitters will be notified no later than June 1st.

Research Mentor and Community Dyad Program

This innovative program will pair researchers with members of the community including individuals with

life-limiting illnesses and their caregivers. These dyads will attend the Summit together and interact with presenting researchers to learn firsthand about characteristics of good research and key issues in palliative care and end-of-life research.

Senior Mentor and Junior Researcher Dyad Program

Investigators meeting the criteria for NIH defined "junior" researcher status will attend the Summit paired with a Senior Researcher Mentor. Junior and Senior Researcher pairs will attend sessions together, and Junior Researchers will receive guidance regarding state-of-the-art and methodologically rigorous palliative care and end-of-life research.

Both dyad programs will provide academic mentoring and opportunities for small group networking. Please note that spaces for these programs are limited, so be sure to apply early. You may apply for both programs online when registering for the Summit.



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