



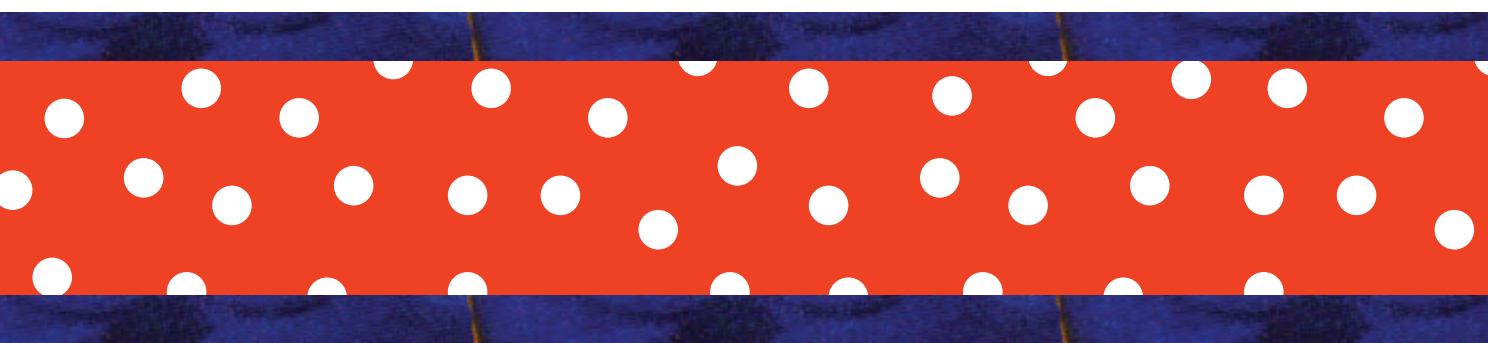
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HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE ORGANIZATION

# 2021 CONFERENCE

**"We Can Do It!"**



**July 28-30, 2021**  
**Pre-conference: July 27, 2021**





# LMHPCO Leadership Conference 2021 Pre-conference Tuesday, July 27, 2021

1:00 pm – 5:15 pm

## **PC1 A Toolkit for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Healthcare Chaplain**

**Larry Dawalt, MDiv, BCC, CT, CTSS, CHPC A**

*Senior Director of Spiritual & Grief Services*

*Hospice Palliative Care Charlotte Region (HPCCR)*

This special pre-conference session will focus on spiritual care in the interdisciplinary healthcare setting with particular focus on total pain, the diagnosis and treatment of spiritual pain, assessment and documentation tools for spiritual care providers, evidence-based spiritual care practice and self-care for health care providers. It will include opportunities for interaction with fellow providers with lots of discussion and small group exercises.

## **PC2 Navigating Serious Illness within Pediatrics – A Stepwise Approach**

**Alexis Morvant, MD, MA, FAAP**

*Pediatric Palliative Medicine Physician*

*Chief, Children’s Hospital Pediatric Palliative Care Team “Pelican Krewe”*

*Assistant Professor of Clinical Pediatrics, LSU Health New Orleans, Division of Ambulatory Medicine Gulf States Pediatric Palliative Care Consortium, Clair*

**Kim & Trey Bowman**

*Founders of Bella Bowman Foundation*

**Amy Crochet, RN, BSN, CPLC**

*NICU Care Coordinator, Woman’s Hospital*

**Miranda Dunnam, CCLS**

*Certified Child Life Specialist, Children’s Hospital New Orleans*

**Megan Haley, RN, BSN, RNC-OB, CPLC**

*Labor and Delivery RN, Woman’s Hospital*

**Jessica Hoffman, PhD**

*Pediatric Psychology Fellow, Children’s Hospital New Orleans*

**Ashley Kiefer, MD**

*Pediatric Palliative Care Physician, Children’s Hospital New Orleans*

**Kimberly Novod, MPA**

*Founder & Executive Director, Saul’s Light Foundation*

**Bridget Perry, CCLS, MHA**

*NICU/CICU Certified Child Life Specialist, Children’s Hospital New Orleans*

**W. Benjamin Rothwell, MD, FAAP, FACP**

*Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine and Pediatrics*

*Medical Director, Tulane Center for Advanced Medical Simulation and Team Training Tulane University School of Medicine*

**Judy Zeringue, MAPL, BSN, RN, CHPPN**

*Nurse Navigator/Spiritual Care, Children’s Hospital Pediatric Palliative Care Team “Pelican Krewe”*

This intensive pediatric palliative care pre-conference workshop will be an interdisciplinary panel who will present a stepwise approach to supporting the pediatric patient and their families to anticipate, prevent and mitigate suffering in all its forms.

## **PC3 Standards for Community Based Palliative Care**

**Becky Tolson, RN, BS, COS-C**

*Clinical Compliance Educator*

*Accreditation Commission for Health Care (ACHC)*

**Bobbie Warner, RN, BSN**

*Director of Education*

*Community Health Accreditation Partner (CHAP)*

Interested in learning more about Community Based Palliative Care? This pre-conference is for you! Join us as ACHC and CHAP discusses the standards and critical elements. Standards focus on industry best practices and were based on the National Consensus Project Clinical Practice Guidelines for Quality Palliative Care.

# LMHPCO Leadership Conference 2021

## Wednesday, July 28, 2021

### 9:00 – 10:15 **Opening Keynote Session** **“The State of Hospice** **2021 (Globally, Nationally,** **Regionally and Locally)”**



**Jennifer Kennedy, EdD, MA, BSN, RN, CHC**

*Sr. Director, Regulatory & Quality  
National Hospice & Palliative Care  
Organization*



**Jamey Boudreaux, MSW, M.Div.**

*Executive Director  
Louisiana Mississippi Hospice & Palliative  
Care Organization*

This year's conference will kick off with global overview of the hospice industry from Washington to Baton Rouge and Jackson to local communities in Mississippi and Louisiana. This keynote presentation will focus on important issues agencies need to be aware of as we head out of an Emergency Pandemic Declaration and into the new normal of the future.

### **“We Can Do It!” 10:30 – 11:30** **“A” CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

#### **A1 Hospice Regulatory Compliance in Louisiana**

**Marian Tate, RN, BSN**

*Medical Certification Program Manager  
Louisiana Department of Health*

This session will provide an update by the Louisiana Department of Health, Health Standards regarding Regulatory Compliance for hospice.

#### **A2 Closing the Knowledge Gaps on Palliative Care**

**Becky Tolson, RN, BS, COS-C**

*Clinical Compliance Educator  
Accreditation Commission for Health Care (ACHC)*

During this session we will cover the history, characteristics, and the patient qualifications related to palliative care. We will also discuss palliative care in comparison to hospice and the benefits palliative care in a community setting can provide to patients, families, caregivers, and the healthcare system.

#### **A3 Spiritual & Cultural Aspects of Care at the End of Life**

**Larry Dawalt, MDiv, BCC, CT, CTSS, CHPC A**

*Senior Director of Spiritual & Grief Services  
Hospice & Palliative Care Charlotte Region*

A key interdisciplinary component of caring for patients and families with serious illness is to assess and address spiritual, religious, and existential dimensions of care. Therefore, it is essential that we as providers facilitate compassionate, patient and family-centered care that respects specific spiritual beliefs and practices, especially at and after time of death. This session will provide learners with a framework for assessment and management of the spiritual and cultural aspects of care for patients and families nearing life's end and include how we as providers manage our own grief and sustain the resilience necessary to continue this compassionate work.

#### **A4 Medication Management of COPD in the Hospice Patient**

**Kiran Hamid, BSc, Pharmacy, RPh**

*Hospice Clinical Pharmacist  
ProCare HospiceCare*

Treatment of end-stage COPD symptoms can be a challenge. Aside from suffering from a difficult and complex disease process, COPD patients are frequently very anxious and hesitant to change their breathing regimen – especially their costly inhalers. This presentation will describe which cost-effective treatments are recommended for end stage COPD, and which treatments may lack benefit.





## **A5 Thinking Outside the Hospice E-Kit: It's More than Meds**

**Robin B. Rome, MSN, FNP-C, ACHPN**

*Palliative NP*

*Southeast Louisiana Veterans Health Care*

**Eunice Benson, MN, APRN, FNP-C**

*Palliative Care NP, Southeast Louisiana Veterans Health Care*

**Marcia Glass, MD**

*Associate Professor of Internal Medicine*

*Tulane University School of Medicine*

**Alexandra Leigh, MD**

*Section Chief, Hospice and Palliative Care, Southeast LA Veterans Health Care System*

*Assistant Professor of Medicine, Tulane University School of Medicine*

**Christopher R. L. Parkinson, PhD, ABPP**

*Clinical Psychologist*

*Southeast Louisiana Veterans Health Care System*

Most patients admitted to hospice can be easily managed by standard medications for pain and other symptoms they will experience at the end of life. What do we do for those patients who do not follow the easy road to death? How do we talk about a bad death with caregivers and loved ones of the patient? How do we take care of ourselves when experiencing the distress that can be associated with witnessing a bad death? In this session we will discuss the difference between a good and bad death. We will include physical, spiritual, and psychological realms and teach interventions that can help you be prepared with a patient who is experiencing a difficult dying process.

**12:00 – 1:30 Celebratory 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Networking Lunch (Provided)**



## **B1 Lightening the Load: Reducing Pharmaceutical Burden with Appropriate Discontinuation Strategies**

**Anthony Berard, PharmD, MBA**

*Clinical Manager*

*Enclara Pharmacia*

Polypharmacy is the use of multiple drugs concomitantly and/or the administration of more medications than clinically indicated. Polypharmacy is especially prevalent in the elderly with estimates that 30% to 50% take 5 or more medications. Polypharmacy can increase the risk of ADRs and decrease medication adherence and quality of life. Multiple comorbidities, multiple prescribers, and lack of recognition of ADRs are some of the most common contributors to polypharmacy.

## **B2 Ethics and the IDT**

**Lisa Sigsworth, RN, CHPN, ELNEC Trainer, Cht, CHI President**

*Cornerstone Paradigm, LLC*

**Amanda Fuselier, LCSW BACS**

*Region 1 Social Work Mentor  
Heart of Hospice*

Ethical issues and dilemmas are inherent in care provided to patients and their families across the life span and facing the end of life. Professional codes and standards serve to facilitate resolution of ethical dilemmas. Nurses, Social Workers, and Chaplains individually and collectively, serve as advocates for ethical and legal practice at the end of life. The SW Code of Ethics will be discussed.

## **B3 Caring for the Patient with LVAD as Destination Therapy**

**Deborah Bourgeois, BSN, MN, APRN, ACNS-BC, ACHPN**

*Palliative Care APRN*

*Ochsner Health System*

**Brittany Lewis, BSN, RN-BC**

*VAD Coordinator, Mechanical Circulatory Support  
Ochsner Medical Center*

LVAD as destination therapy for the treatment of advanced heart failure is becoming more common. Patients and their families need assistance with complex decision-making, advance care planning and the support that can be provided by Palliative Care and Hospice teams. This presentation will provide an overview of the care and issues of the LVAD patient and their families as well as equipment demonstration.



## **B4 Trauma-Informed Approach for Building Resilience in End-of-Life Care**

**Natalie Bellott, BFA, LCSW**

*Psychotherapist  
Private Practice*

Understanding the impact of trauma and trauma-informed practices are essential to providing quality patient and family care. We will explore the different types of trauma, how trauma affects brain function, common signs, and practices to help patients and family members in difficult times.

## **B5 2020 LMHPCO VA Task Force Trauma Informed Care Initiative Review**

**Amanda Anderson, MBA with Human Resource Certification, LMSW**

*Manager of Volunteer Services, We Honor Veterans  
Champion  
Heart of Hospice*

In 2020, the LMHPCO VA Task Force participated in the NHPCO and VA Collaborative Trauma Informed Care Initiative. This initiative provided the opportunity to train our care teams related to better screening and coordinated care for PTSD, Moral Injury, and Suicidal Ideation in our Veteran population. Though the trainings were centered around Vietnam Veterans, LMHPCO took the initiative a step further making the connection that Veterans of any era could benefit from the care planning. This presentation will review our participation, goals, training, support, and conclusions from the 2020 cycle.

**3:30 – 4:30**

## **Wednesday Afternoon Plenary “Leading People to Accomplish a Mission”**



**Burl Cain, Commissioner**

*State of Mississippi*

*Mississippi Department of Corrections*

With over 35 years of experience leading corrections in both Louisiana and Mississippi, Commissioner Cain will share the secrets of his success as well as the challenges of leading large organizations toward success. Join this dynamic plenary session as Commissioner Cain shares techniques in handling challenges, setbacks, and changes in a changing environment.

# SAFETY PROTOCOLS:

*The LMHPCO Education Committee and Board of Directors, along with the staff and management of the Higgins Hotel takes safe gathering seriously. We are pleased to announce that LMHPCO is partnering with the Ochsner Health System for the most up to date safety protocols for our conference.*

*Ochsner will be offering on-site vaccinations to anyone interested.*

*LMHPCO will have two Health and Safety Advisors from our Education Committee on sight for any questions you may have. Marquetta Trice and Kyle Lavergne will be happy to assist you during the conference.*



# LMHPCO Leadership Conference 2021

## Thursday, July 29, 2021

### 9:00 – 10:15 **Thursday Morning Plenary Session** **“Actualizing a Good Death for Our Nations Heroes: Effective Management of PTSD Under Hospice Care”**



**Christopher R. L. Parkinson, PhD, ABPP**  
*Clinical Psychologist, Southeast Louisiana Veterans Health Care System*



**Lisa-Ann Cuccurullo, PsyD**  
*Clinical Psychologist; National Center for PTSD (NCPTSD)*



**Cynthia Williams, MD**  
*Staff Psychiatrist at Southeast Louisiana Veterans Healthcare System*

People who are diagnosed with a serious illness are significantly more likely to be diagnosed with PTSD. Studies have suggested that upwards of 35% of people diagnosed with cancer have been found to meet criteria for PTSD. Serious illness can also function to exacerbate preexisting symptoms of PTSD in individuals who had otherwise well-controlled symptoms. Symptoms such as pain or air hunger can elicit feelings of vulnerability or helplessness which may trigger intrusive thoughts, hyperarousal, irritability, dissociation, and social isolation. The symptomatic overlap of PTSD and other commonly encountered disorders at the end of life such as general anxiety, depression, and delirium, can make accurate diagnosing quite challenging without specific training in differential diagnosis. Further, once a definitive diagnosis is reached what are the next steps to address the patients existential suffering? Trauma symptoms have the propensity to interfere with many of the factors that define a good death which is a primary goal for hospice and palliative care providers. Unfortunately, traditional evidence-based psychological treatments for PTSD may not adequately address suffering in those with serious illness due to barriers such as time and effort required. In the current session, our interdisciplinary panel will review current

research with respect to the landscape of trauma presentation and expression in those diagnosed with severe medical illness. We will address current clinical guidance regarding proper screening and assessment of trauma and discuss how the application of differential diagnosis can be utilized to accurately triage patients to the most appropriate medical or psychological intervention. To this end, we will address best practices regarding psychotropic medication management of various trauma symptoms and explore the stepwise psychosocial palliative care (SPPC) approach to management of trauma symptomology at the end of life.

### **“We Can Do It!” 10:30 – 11:30** **“C” CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

#### **C1 VA Jeopardy**

**Alexandra Leigh, MD**

*Section Chief, Hospice and Palliative Care, Southeast LA Veterans Health Care System*  
*Assistant Professor of Medicine, Tulane University School of Medicine*

**Malaika Amedee, LCSW**

*Palliative Care Coordinator, Southeast LA Veterans Health Care System*

**Ada Marion, LCSW**

*Palliative Care & Hospice Social Worker, Southeast LA Veterans Health Care System*

Interfacing with the Veterans Affairs Administration is complicated as the rules of the private world can vary within VA. Moreover, there are many services available to Veterans at the end-of-life that many may not be aware of. Concurrent care, or hospice combined with disease-modifying interventions, will also be discussed. During this fun Jeopardy, with a tribute to Alex Trebek, we will quiz the audience on questions and have a fun, answer, and information session on all things VA!



## C2 MSDH Hospice Update

**Francis Fair RN, BSN**

*Director, Health Facilities, Licensure and Certification  
MS State Department of Health*

**Glenn D. Wood, RN**

*Director / Nurse Manager  
Bureau of Health Facilities Licensure & Certification  
Non-Long Term Care*

This presentation will discuss problematic State and Federal deficiencies for Hospice and methods for successful regulatory compliance.

## C3 Accountability: A Critical Leadership Strategy for Hospice Teams?

**Judy L. Connelly RN, MSN, SPHR**

*Senior Manager, Hospice and Palliative Care  
Operations  
SimiTree Healthcare Consulting*

The use of the word Accountability has peaked in the past two decades yet is one of the most challenging aspects of doing business, providing consistent care, achieving excellent quality and financial outcomes, and maintaining success. Creating a hospice team environment that fosters and expects individuals to be accountable for their designated responsibilities is time consuming, purposeful, and worth the investment. This presentation will discuss the many aspects of understanding, developing, and utilizing best practices associated with accountability.

## C4 Artificial Hydration in the Hospice Setting: An Interdisciplinary Discussion

**Brad Macy, RN, BA, BSN, CHPN**

*President and Co-founder  
Hospi Corporation*

The decision to hydrate patients in the hospice setting is a multifaceted interdisciplinary decision that involves psycho-social, ethical, clinical, educational, religious, and logistical considerations. This lecture takes an in-depth look at these different considerations and presents a road map for decision making around hydration in the hospice setting to best assure the benefits of hydration outweigh burdens. The lecture examines the different methods available for hydrating hospice patients and the benefits and challenges of these modalities.

## C5 The Hospice Drug Profile: Learn to Love It!

**Ellen Fulp, PharmD, MSPC, BCGP**

*Director of Pharmacy Education  
AvaCare, Inc.*

The hospice drug profile is often a source of confusion for new and seasoned hospice professionals alike. This session will review many of the current medication-related hot topics for hospices. This session will share tips for regulatory success, including medication appropriateness, understanding, and explaining the 2020 “Patient Notification of Hospice Non-Covered Items, Services and Drugs” election statement addendum, formulary substitutions and communication with patients and caregivers. Be sure to bring your drug profile questions!

**12:00 – 1:30**

**Lunch (Provided)**



## D1 Stranger Danger - Avoiding the Pitfalls of Traditional Advance Directives

**Valerie Armand, LPN**

*Certified End of Life Doula, Certified Advance Care  
Planning Educator  
Founder, Exiting Gracefully, LLC*

**Raquel McCorvey, MSN, CCM, PLNC, APRN,  
FNP-C**

*Hospice and Palliative Care Nurse Practitioner  
End of Life Doula  
Founder, Life Unlimited, LLC*

When seconds count, how confident are you in your ability to safely interpret an Advance Directive? How can you be sure that your own wishes are documented in a safe and accurate way? Join Certified EOL Doulas Valerie Armand and Raquel McCorvey as they share their Advance Care Planning knowledge in an innovative and interactive session. The studies and statistics they will share regarding the misinterpretation of Advance Directives may surprise you!





## **D2 UP IN SMOKE: Medical Marijuana and Post-Acute Care**

**Julie B. Mitchell, JD, LLM Health Law**

*Partner/Healthcare Attorney*

*Hagwood and Tipton Law Firm, PC*

This session will provide an overview of medical marijuana in post-acute care facilities, including hospices, nursing homes and long-term care facilities. We will discuss Louisiana and Mississippi medical marijuana laws as well as the federal government and Medicare explanation.

## **D3 The Unique Needs of Veterans in the LGBT Community**

**Amanda Anderson, MBA with Human Resource Certification, LMSW**

*Manager of Volunteer Services, We Honor Veterans Champion*

*Heart of Hospice*

**Clelie Dugan, PhD., MSN**

*Weekend RN*

*St. Tammany Parish Hospital Hospice*

As the LMHPCO VA Task Force continues to help build relationships in our Veterans Communities, we are tackling the changes in specialized Veteran needs. This is the beginning of a series of Veteran Specific Educations surrounding LGBT Veterans and their unique care needs. This presentation will cover the history of service of LGBT Veterans, unique hurdles for this community, and new policies adopted by the VA to assist in providing better care to this community. This will include resources for additional support care and educational opportunities for working in this population.

## **D4 The Ethical & Cultural Significance of Hospice in Underserved Populations – Part II**

**Cordt T. Kassner, PhD**

*CEO, Hospice Analytics*

**Martha McDurmond, BSW, NFA**

*Consultant, LMHPCO +*

**Ann Walker, RN, BSN, MBA**

*Consultant, LMHPCO +*

**Derrick W. Williams, MS**

*Student, Harvard Medical School*

This workshop is an in-depth follow-up based on our LMHPCO presentation on the same topic last year. Culturally diverse groups under-utilize hospice services for a variety of reasons, presenting hospices with several challenges when caring for this community. This workshop will explore these challenges, review data and policy implications, and discuss potential solutions. We look forward to seeing you there!

## **D5 GIP Documentation: Painting the Picture**

**Cissy Strickland, RN, BSN**

*Patient Care Coordinator, Asbury Hospice House*

**Rebecca Pardue, RN CHPN**

*Director, Forrest General Hospice and Asbury Hospice House*

**Ruby Jones, RN**

*Patient Care Coordinator*

*Forrest General Hospice*

This session will explain the qualifications of what constitutes General Inpatient (GIP) level of care. How to document this information in a way that will properly describe the need for inpatient hospitalization will be addressed.

**3:00 – 3:30**

**Exhibitor Door Prizes**

## **TARGET AUDIENCE:**

Physicians, Palliative Care Providers, Geriatricians, Nurses, Nurse Practitioners, Clinical Managers, Social Workers, Chaplains, Volunteer Managers/ Coordinators, Bereavement Coordinators, Administrators, Community Liaisons, and all healthcare professionals dedicated to providing and improving health care across the continuum. This includes Hospice and Palliative Care as well as related fields such as, Corrections, Veterans Associations, Healthcare Futurists and End of Life Visionaries.



# LMHPCO Leadership Conference 2021

## Friday, July 30, 2021

8:00 – 9:00

### Friday Morning Plenary Session “There’s a New Frontier in Wellness”



**Judy Newman, MS, SLP (retired), CLYT**  
*Owner*  
*Katanchicks Laughing, LLC*

What a year 2020 was for everyone! Join us for this insightful and self-care plenary. Participants will be taken on a fluid journey into the movements and behaviors of health, joy, and connectedness, using whatever muscles are available to them. Laughter is the glue between all its activities, and it is used as a form of elective exercise. There are no jokes or comedy. We will simply choose to laugh because we can. Laughter Wellness is a complete – and fun – system!



### E1 Resolving Unresolved Conflicts with the Hospice Patient and Their Family Members

**Anita Obenschain, MSW, LCSW-BACS**  
*Medical Social Worker*  
*Harmony Hospice*

Resolving Unresolved Conflict - Making peace and decreasing feelings of guilt within the family in order for the patient to die without emotional pain.

## COMFORT:

Bring a jacket/light sweater for your comfort as the temperature of the rooms can vary.

### E2 Conversations are Priceless!

**Susan E. Nelson MD, FACP, FAAHPM**  
*System Chair, Palliative Medicine and Supportive Care*  
*Ochsner Health System*

**Kori DiGiovanni, BSN, RN**  
*Advance Care Planning Coordinator*  
*Ochsner Health System*

**Allison Caillouet, DNP, FNP**  
*Palliative Medicine NP*

*Ochsner Baptist Medical Center*

Communication and conversation have everything to do with what happens when discussing serious illness. Easing into the conversation, acknowledging fears and concerns, and showing empathy allow for the patient and family to develop trust. This ultimately is the key to the best outcome for the patient. This presentation will discuss the Serious Illness Conversation guide, communication techniques, as well as a role play to demonstrate how to bring the skills into practice.

### E3 Staff Retention in Light of COVID-19

**Jennifer Blake, PhD Student – Counselor Education and Supervision, MS Clinical Mental Health Counseling, BSN**

*Clinical Systems Specialist*  
*Thornberry Ltd.*

Staff retention in the homecare arena has long been a topic of concern. Traditional contributing factors include increasing workloads, documentation requirements, high expectations from organizations/patients/families/staff, personal and professional boundaries that can be challenging to maintain. The impact COVID-19 has had across all areas of patient care has only intensified the issue, making the need to develop strategies to promote staff retention more critical than ever. This presentation will examine factors that can lead to staff burnout, mitigating factors that can promote staff retention, and potential strategies for organizations to combat the high rates of staff turnover. Considerations in light of Covid-19 and implications for increased staff retention on organizational success, staff satisfaction, and improved patient experiences will be discussed.





## **E4 Facing the Challenges of Anticoagulants in Hospice**

**Pooja Joshi, PharmD, BCPS**

*Clinical Manager*

*Enclara Pharmacia*

**Caren McHenry Martin, PharmD, BCGP**

*Clinical Manager*

*Enclara Pharmacia*

Hospices are often faced with the challenge of admitting patients who are anticoagulants, often for diagnoses that are only indirectly related to the terminal diagnosis. Questions about medical necessity, risk/benefit, and inclusion in the hospice benefit are not directly addressed in medical literature. This session will review the outcomes data and risk/benefit profile of these medications to help hospice staff and clinicians make informed decisions about continuing these medications for patients in hospice care.

## **E5 Hospice Mechanics 101: Equipping the Hospice Medical Director or Hospice Physician for His/Her Role**

**Ann Walker, RN, BSN, MBA**

*Consultant, LMHPCO +*

**Martha McDurmond, BSW, NFA**

*Consultant, LMHPCO +*

The Hospice Medical Director/Hospice Physician has the responsibility for the overall medical component of the hospice's patient care program. This presentation will speak to issues that will better equip the physician to understand his/her role leading to a successful hospice patient care program.



## **F1 End of Life Care Legislative Update**

**Elizabeth Duncan Harper, BA**

*Louisiana State Director*

*Alliance for the Advancement of End-of-Life Care*

**John Morgan Hughes, MBA**

*Mississippi State Director*

*Alliance for the Advancement of End-of-Life Care*

Join us for a 2021 Legislative update on the Mississippi and Louisiana Legislative sessions. This will include any end of life or palliative care regulatory changes or new laws created. Attendees will also receive updates on state advisory councils/task forces.

## **F2 Palliative Medicine: Managing Expectations**

**Robin B. Rome, MSN, FNP-C, ACHPN**

*Palliative Care Nurse Practitioner*

*Southeast Louisiana Veterans Health Care*

This presentation will define what palliative medicine is as well as the population of patients that are seen by palliative care. The presenter will describe how palliative medicine experts help the seriously ill population manage expectations and goals of care.

## **F3 Hospice Mechanics 102: The Hospice Physician – Assuring Compliance and Improved Medical Management in Hospice Care**

**Ann Walker, RN, BSN, MBA**

*Consultant, LMHPCO +*

**Martha McDurmond, BSW, NFA**

*Consultant, LMHPCO +*

The Hospice Medical/Hospice Physician will be afforded an overview of his/her role in the professional management of the hospice patient as it relates to CMS requirements and Professional management responsibilities including discernment of terminal diagnoses and related conditions utilizing various resources and composing of the narratives that demonstrate the elements supporting the need for hospice care.

NOTE: This session is highly recommended as a prerequisite for hospice medical directors attending the post-conference.



#### **F4 How to Care for Veterans at the End of Life Well: Interview with a Military Chaplain**

**Rev. Barrington D. Gidney, Jr, MDiv**

*Chaplain Mentor, Heart of Hospice*

**The Rt. Rev. Page Brooks, PhD**

*Lead Pastor-Mission Mosaic: A Missional Society/Network*

*Professor of Theology and Culture*

*State Command Chaplain (LTC), Louisiana Army National Guard*

With an increase of Veterans taking advantage of their hospice benefit and the Veterans Administration’s focus on hospice and palliative care, it is imperative that hospice workers provide care for veterans in a way that respects their unique experience. Join us as an experienced military chaplain explains the differences between the civilian and military worlds; speaks about how to identify and minister to veterans suffering with PTSD; gives insight how to minister to veteran families; and shares end of life benefits and resources for Veterans.

#### **F5 Living Your Best Life with Cannabis**

**Greg Autry**

*CEO*

*Sweet Sensi*

This presentation is designed to help attendees understand the differences in CBD products as well as medical conditions and benefits. Join us for an enlightening discussion of the medical and general health benefits of CBD as well as an understanding of production methodology. The Supreme Court Ruling on Mississippi Initiative 65 will be discussed.

**PHOTOGRAPHY**  
Photos will be taken throughout the entire conference. Registration implies consent to be photographed and permission for LMHPCO to use the photos in its printed materials.

## **LMHPCO Leadership Conference 2021 Medical Director Post-conference Friday, July 30, 2021**

### **1:00 – 5:15 pm The Hospice Physician - Assuring Compliance and Improved Medical Management in Hospice Care**

**Ann Walker, RN, BSN, MBA**

*Consultant, LMHPCO +*

**Martha McDurmond, BSW, NFA**

*Consultant, LMHPCO +*

**L. Glen Mire, MD, FAAFP, HMDC, CMD**

*Clinical Professor, LSU School of Medicine, Family Medicine*

*Medical Director, Hospice Compassus*

*Medical Director, River Oaks Retirement Manor*

*Assoc. Medical Director, Maison de Lafayette*

**Larry Durante, MD, MPH**

*Hospice Medical Director*

The Hospice Medical Director or hospice physician’s involvement in the medical management of the hospice patient is comprehensive. This presentation will offer rationalization to CMS mandated Hospice physician roles and responsibilities including suggested “best practices” to the participants.





# Conference Objectives



Participants attending this conference will be able to:

1. Strengthen executive leadership and management skills
2. Identify regulatory and quality requirements/changes that impact hospice and palliative care
3. Identify ways to provide better palliative and end-of-life care

## CONTINUING EDUCATION

To receive continuing education credit, the person must be a duly registered attendee of the conference AND complete an electronic conference evaluation for each session attended. Certificates will be available online to attendees requesting continuing education who register for the session, remain in attendance throughout the session and complete an on-line evaluation form. Persons who leave early will receive credit proportional to their actual attendance.

### **Social Worker Continuing Education Credit**

Application for up to 18.50 hours has been submitted and approval is pending NASW – LA Chapter. This organization, LMHPCO, SW DP# 13003, has approved this conference for up to 18.50 hours continuing education clock hours (General Hours 18.50 to include Ethics 1.0 hours and Cultural Diversity 2.0 hours). LMHPCO is approved as a provider for continuing education by the Mississippi Board of Examiners for Social Workers. Approval period 5/1/2023.

### **Nursing Continuing Education Credit**

Up to 18.50 hours Nursing Continuing Education approved through Louisiana~Mississippi Hospice and Palliative Care Organization (LMHPCO), an approved provider of nursing continuing education by the Louisiana State Board of Nursing. CE Provider number 46.

### **Physician Continuing Medical Education**

Application for up to 18.50 hours CME credit has been filed with the American Academy of Family Physicians. Determination of credit is pending.

### **Chaplaincy Education**

A certificate will be awarded for each contact hour the chaplain is in attendance, up to 18.50 hours.

### **Nursing Facility Administrators**

Up to 18.50 hours Continuing Education for Nursing Facility Administrators is pending approval by the State of Louisiana Board of Examiners of Nursing Facility Administrators (LABENFA).

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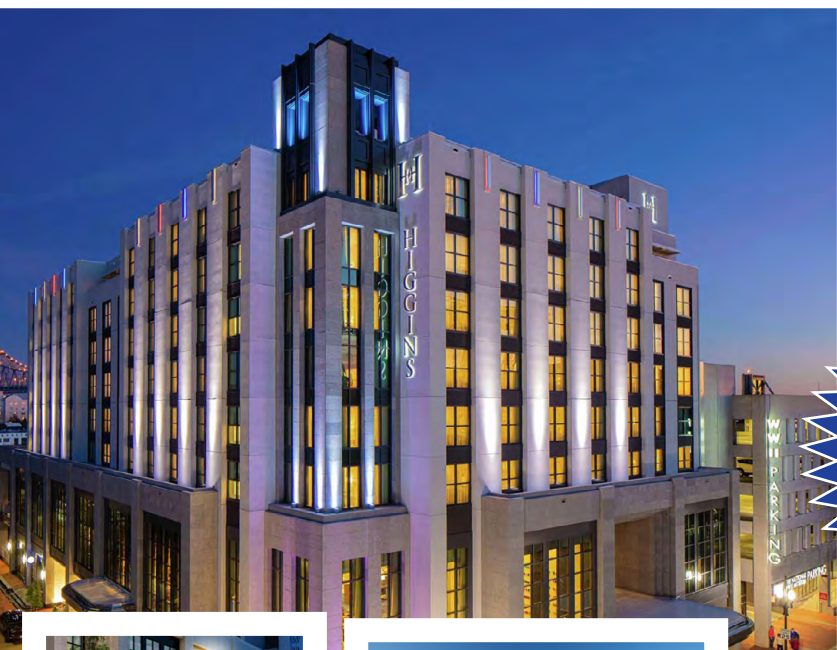
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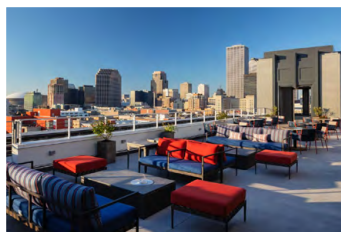
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# CONFERENCE REGISTRATION INFORMATION

## Online Registration

may be accessed at

<https://lmhpc.memberclicks.net/conference2021>

**For registration questions contact Nancy or Jamey at 888-546-1500.**

## Registration/Cancellation Policy Information:

All cancellations must be submitted in writing.

A \$50 processing fee will apply to ALL cancellations.

Cancellations made on or before **June 30, 2021** will receive a full refund, less a processing fee.

Cancellations between **July 1, 2021 and July 17, 2021** will receive a 50% refund.

**No refunds will be made in registration cancellations postmarked/date stamped after July 17, 2021.**

*Substitutions are welcomed and apply to this conference ONLY.*

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# LMHPCO 2021 CONFERENCE RATES

## MEMBERS

MEMBER EARLY  
(received by June 30, 2021)

MEMBER  
(received on/after July 1-23, 2021)

MEMBER LATE  
July 24-30, 2021

### Pre-conference ONLY: Tuesday, July 27

\$99

\$149

\$199

### Full Conference: (Wednesday-Friday) *Pre-conference and Post-conference NOT included*

\$399

\$449

\$499

### Wednesday, July 28: (Day 1 ONLY)

\$199

\$249

\$299

### Thursday, July 29: (Day 2 ONLY)

\$199

\$249

\$299

### Friday, July 30: (Day 3 *Concurrent Session Only*)

\$99

\$149

\$199

### Post-conference ONLY: Friday, July 30

\$99

\$149

\$199

## NON-MEMBERS

NON-MEMBER EARLY  
(received by June 30, 2021)

NON-MEMBER  
(received on/after July 1-23, 2021)

NON-MEMBER LATE  
July 24-30, 2021

### Pre-conference ONLY: Tuesday, July 27

\$299

\$349

\$399

### Full Conference: (Wednesday-Friday) *Pre-conference and Post-conference NOT included*

\$699

\$749

\$799

### Wednesday, July 28: (Day 1 ONLY)

\$499

\$549

\$599

### Thursday, July 29: (Day 2 ONLY)

\$499

\$549

\$599

### Friday, July 30: (Day 3 *Concurrent Session Only*)

\$299

\$349

\$399

### Post-conference ONLY: Friday, July 30

\$299

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