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McMaster University | Family Medicine, Division of Palliative Care

The Division of Palliative Care Presents

3 Days In-Depth Palliative Care

June 16–18, 2025

8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. *Time is subject to change

In-Person Venue
Waterfront Events and Conference Centre
555 Bay Street North, Hamilton, ON

Target Audience

Health Care Professionals including physicians, nurses, spiritual care providers, social workers and other disciplines who:

1. Provide a palliative approach to care within various settings: primary care, long-term care, acute care, home care, and hospice.
2. Have completed or plan to complete the Pallium LEAP (Learning Essential Approaches to Palliative and End-of-Life Care) prior to June 2025.

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Agenda

Day 1 – Monday, June 16, 2025

Time	Talk	Speaker
Moderators: Robert Vukovich and Nadia Plach		
07:30–08:15	**Registration and Breakfast**	
08:15–08:30	Welcome, Intro, Reflection	**Dr. Nadia Plach**
08:30–09:45	Palliative Pearls for Pain Management	**Dr. Nadia Plach**
09:45–10:45	Palliative Care Advances in Long-Term Care	**Dr. Sandy Shamon**
10:45–11:00	**Refreshment Break**	
11:00–12:00	Palliative Pearls for COPD and Lung Cancer	**Dr. Sophie Corriveau**
12:00–13:30	**Lunch and Visit Vendors**	
13:30–14:30	Caring for Children with Advanced Illness	**Dr. Dave Lysecki**
14:30–14:45	**Refreshment Break**	
14:45–16:00	Palliative Management of Bowel Obstruction Across Care Settings	**Dr. Janice Austin, Dr. Madeline Inglis**
16:00	**End of Day/Evaluations**	

Day 2 – Tuesday, June 17, 2025

Time	Talk	Speaker
Moderators: Natasha Eardley and Britta Berg		
08:00–08:25	**Continental Breakfast**	
08:25–08:30	Announcements and Reflection	
08:30–10:00	The Palliative Care Approach in Cardiology	**Dr. Catherine Demers**
10:00–11:00	Conservative Approach to Kidney Care	**Dr. Meera Joseph**
11:00–11:15	**Refreshment Break**	
11:15–12:15	Inner Space: The Other Frontier. Caring for Existential and Spiritual Distress in a Palliative Care Journey	**Robert Tees, MA, M Div., RP**
12:15–13:15	**Lunch and Visit Vendors**	
13:15–14:30	Interventional Endoscopy in Managing GI Issues in Palliative Care	**Dr. Arjun Kundra**
14:30–14:45	**Refreshment and Visit Vendors**	
14:45–16:00	Immunotherapy and Targeted Therapy in Palliative Care Oncology	**Dr. Courtney Coschi**
16:00	**End of Day/Evaluations**	

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Day 3 – Wednesday, June 18, 2025

Time	Talk	Speaker
Moderators: Kathleen Willison and Tamara Babineau		
08:00–08:25	**Continental Breakfast**	
08:25–08:30	Announcements and Reflection	
08:30–09:45	Managing Opioid Use Disorder in Palliative Care	**Dr. Brian Kerley**
09:45–11:00	Deprescribing at End of Life	**Ildy Tettero, NP and Dr. Nadia Plach**
11:00–11:15	**Refreshment Break**	
11:15–12:15	Radiotherapy in Palliative Care: The role of radiotherapy and the various regimens addressing symptoms in a timely manner according to disease progression.	**Dr. Crystal Hann**
12:15–13:15	**Lunch and Visit Vendors**	
13:15–14:15	Delirium/Dementia: A Palliative Approach to Care	**Dr. Alan Taniguchi**
14:15–14:30	**Refreshment and Visit Vendors**	
14:30–15:30	Music Therapy and Legacy	**Adrienne Pringle, MMT, RP, MTA**
15:30–15:45	**Prizes, Closing Remarks and Evaluations**	

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