

SPIRITUALITY: A DIMENSION OF QUALITY GERIATRIC AND PALLIATIVE CARE

Presented by ASA and the Archstone Foundation



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17 | 1:30 – 6:00 PM

Fee: \$15; includes reception

Pre-registration is required (limited to 100 participants)

Attendees must be registered for the Aging in America Conference

This half-day program will address the role of spiritual care for older adults living with advanced chronic and/or life-threatening illnesses. Spirituality has been recognized as an essential element of geriatric and palliative care. The program will build upon recommendations developed in 2009 to improve the quality of patient care through two keynote addresses and interactive workshops. Participants will learn about best practices, spiritual assessment tools and quality improvement efforts.



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Agenda

1:30 - 1:35 pm | Welcome and Introductions

1:35 - 1:45 pm | Spirituality: A Rediscovered Frontier

Presenter: Joseph F. Prevratil, President and CEO, Archstone Foundation.

1:45 - 2:30 pm | Spirituality as a Dimension of Quality Geriatric Care

Presenter: Christina Puchalski, MD, Executive Director, GWish, George Washington University.

2:30 - 3:30 pm | Interactive Workshops

Spiritual History and Treatment

Presenter: Christina Puchalski, MD, Executive Director, GWish, George Washington University.

Staff Education in Spiritual Care

Presenter: Jacqueline Cameron, MDiv, MD, Episcopal Priest and Attending Physician, Department of Religion, Health and Human Values, Rush University Medical Center.

A Case Study: Spiritual Assessment and Care Plans

Presenter: George Fitchett, DMin, PhD, Associate Professor and Director of Research, Rush University Medical Center.

Care Plans and Improving Quality

Presenter: Betty Ferrell, PhD, FANN, FPCN, Research Scientist, City of Hope.

3:45 - 4:30 pm | The Nature of Suffering in the Geriatrics

Presenter: Betty Ferrell, PhD, MA, FANN, FPCN, City of Hope

4:30 - 4:45 pm | Call to Action and Closing Comments

4:45 - 6:00 pm | Reception and Resource Fair



FORSA CELEBRATES 20TH ANNIVERSARY

Twenty years ago leaders in the field of gerontology, who recognized the importance of religion and spirituality in the lives of our elders, planted the seeds to make the Forum on Religion, Spirituality and Aging (FORSA) a constituent group within ASA. Join us Thursday, March 18 for a full day of programming celebrating the 20th Anniversary of ASA's FORSA as we explore the meaning and purpose of our lives as we age.