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Please join us for DMU Grand Rounds!

INTEGRATING PALLIATIVE CARE INTO COMPREHENSIVE CANCER CARE

Charles F. von Gunten, MD, PhD, Vice President, Medical Affairs, Hospice and Palliative Medicine for OhioHealth

Thursday, March 3
7 – 8 am
Olsen Center or [Online](#)

All healthcare professionals and students are invited to participate. There is no cost attend.

EDUCATIONAL NEED

Over the past five decades, palliative care has evolved from serving patients at the end of life into a highly specialized discipline focused on delivering supportive care to patients with life-limiting illnesses throughout the disease trajectory. A growing body of evidence is now available to inform the key domains in the practice of palliative care, including symptom management, psychosocial care, communication, decision-making, and end-of-life care. Findings from multiple studies indicate that integrating palliative care early in the disease trajectory can result in improvements in quality of life, symptom control, patient and caregiver satisfaction, quality of end-of-life care, survival, and costs of care.

OBJECTIVES

- Distinguish hospice from palliative care
- Identify system processes and structure that support the delivery of palliative care to patients and families
- List communication techniques to facilitate delivering the prognosis involving palliative and hospice care.

SPEAKER

Charles F. von Gunten, MD, PhD, is the Vice President, Medical Affairs, Hospice and Palliative Medicine for OhioHealth, working to create a palliative medicine program that will set the standard for the integration of palliative care across the entire health system, while also establishing a comprehensive medical education program in palliative care for new physicians and staff to ensure and sustain OhioHealth's program for the long term.

A leader in palliative medicine, Dr. von Gunten is known for developing an early model of hospital-based palliative care that has been the basis for those developed in the 60% of the nation's hospitals that now report palliative care programs. In addition, he played a lead role in developing and achieving formal recognition of the subspecialty of palliative medicine. He is the Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Palliative Medicine, the journal of record for the new medical subspecialty of palliative medicine.

Dr. von Gunten is the Chairman, Test Committee, Hospice & Palliative Medicine, American Board of Medical Specialties. He is a past President of the American Association for Cancer Education. He is Co-Principal for the Education for Physicians on End-of-life Care (EPEC) Project and its revision for oncology, EPEC-O. He received a life-time achievement award from the American Academy for Hospice and Palliative Medicine in 2011 when he was only 54 years old. In the same year, he was also named a 'top doctor' in U.S. News and World Report. Dr. von Gunten has been particularly interested in the integration of hospice and palliative care into academic medicine. He has published and spoken widely on the subjects of hospice, palliative medicine, and pain and symptom control.

Dr. von Gunten received his Bachelor of Arts Degree with honors from Brown University in 1978. He then earned a PhD in Biochemistry and his medical degree with honors from the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center in 1988. He subsequently pursued residency training in Internal Medicine, followed by subspecialty training in Hematology/Oncology at the McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University in Chicago.

Dr. von Gunten indicated he has no financial relationships to disclose relevant to the content of this continuing educational activity.

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