PROFESSIONAL CHAPLAINCY: THE CORE OF SPIRITUAL CARE

INCOME OF SPIRITUAL CARE

HEALTH INSURERS AND CARE DELIVERY PROGRAMS SHOULD COVER COMPREHENSIVE CARE FOR INDIVIDUALS NEARING END OF LIFE, AND THEIR FAMILIES.

EVOLVING

PHYSICAL NEEDS EMOTIONAL NEEDS SPIRITUAL **NEEDS** SOCIAL **NEEDS**

Source: "Dying in America" report, Institute of Medicine of the National Academies, 2014

SPIRITUAL SCREENING QUESTIONS

CURRENT CLINICAL SPIRITUAL HISTORY QUESTIONS PRACTICE

> SPIRITUAL ASSESSMENT **BY A CHAPLAIN**

Source: Templeton Press, 2010

INCLUDES:

PALLIATIVE CARE

Source: National Consensus Project for Quality Palliative Care Clinical Practice Guidelines for Quality Palliative Care, 3rd edition 2013

FREQUENT ASSESSMENT OF A PATIENT'S SPIRITUAL WELL-BEING, AND ATTENTION TO A PATIENT'S SPIRITUAL AND RELIGIOUS NEEDS SHOULD BE AMONG THE CORE COMPONENTS OF QUALITY END-OF-LIFE CARE ACROSS ALL SETTINGS AND PROVIDERS.

Source: "Dying in America" report, Institute of Medicine of the National Academies, 2014



PRACTICE GUIDELINES ESPECIALLY IN PALLIATIVE CARE CALL FOR A **BOARD CERTIFIED CHAPLAIN TO BE A MEMBER OF THE HEALTH CARE TEAM.**

Source: National Consensus Project for Quality Palliative Care Clinical Practice Guidelines for Quality Palliative Care, 3rd edition 2013



INTERVENTIONS BY AN INTERDISCIPLINARY HEALTH CARE TEAM THAT INCLUDES CHAPLAINS CAN LEAD TO FEWER HOSPITAL TRANSFERS FOR GERIATRIC SKILLED NURSING FACILITY RESIDENTS. Source: Journal of the American Geriatrics Society, 2011

WHY INCLUDE A CHAPLAIN IN THE HEALTH CARE TEAM?

HELPS IDENTIFY PARAMETERS FOR CHAPLAINCY REFERRAL

PROVIDES OPPORTUNITY TO COMMUNICATE FINDINGS/RECOMMENDATIONS INTO

Sources: Journal of Health Care Chaplaincy, 2012; Journal of Palliative Medicine, 2009

INCREASES LIKELIHOOD OF CONSIDERING

of physicians had

THE PATIENT AS A WHOLE

experience with a chaplain Source: Archives of Internal Medicine, 2009 were satisfied or very satisfied

CRITICAL CONVERSATIONS

CHAPLAINS HELP PATIENTS

COPE WITH THEIR ILLNESS

ALIGN CARE PLANS WITH **VALUES**, PROMOTING A CULTURE OF RESPECT AND DIGNITY

TAP INTO INNER STRENGTHS AND RESOURCES Sources: BMC Palliative Care, 2014; BMC Palliative Care, 2015; Journal of

Palliative Medicine, 2009

CHAPLAIN INTERVENTIONS, **VISITS CENTERED ON: "ULTIMATE**

[life review, family concerns] "PRACTICAL

CONCERNS"

MATTERS" [emotions, existential matters. religious/spiritual matters, physical symptoms

Source: HCCN Caring for the Human Spirit Conference, 2014

end-of-life care discussions for advanced cancer patients that can influence patient satisfaction, hospice enrollment, and better quality of life near death.

Professional chaplains facilitate

Sources: Journal of Clinical Oncology, 2007, 2009; Journal of Pain and

PARTICIPANTS USF **SPIRITUAL CARE CALL CENTER** STAFFED BY PROFESSIONAL CHAPLAINS

no one else"

Symptom Management, 2011

Source: HCCN Chat with a Chaplain survey, 2014-15

"They wanted to talk to someone"

//////GAPS TO FILL ///////

Many more inpatients desire



conversations about religion/ spirituality than have them.

More than one-quarter of all adults, including

those 75 and older, have given little or no thought to their end-of-life wishes Source: "Dying in America" report, Institute of Medicine of the National Academies, 2014

of patients with

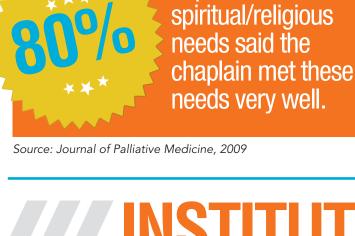


of advanced cancer patients said their spiritual needs were

minimally or not at all supported by the medical system. Source: Journal of Clinical Oncology, 2007

Spiritual care is

PATIENT SATISFACTION///



with spiritual care and ICU experience. Source: Critical Care Medicine, 2007

A strong association exists

between **SATISFACTION**

associated with better patient quality of life near death. Source: The Journal of Clinical Oncology, 2009

satisfaction with total

/// INSTITUTIONAL BOTTOM-LINE/

INADEQUATELY-SUPPORTED SPIRITUAL NEEDS LEADS TO

CHAPLAINCY SERVICES ARE RELATED

Source: BMC Palliative Care, 2012

OF HOSPITAL **DEATHS**

ENROLLMENT

Management, 2011

HIGHER END-OF-LIFE COSTS

MORE DEATHS IN ICU

INCREASED SCORES ON PATIENT SATISFACTION SURVEYS (HCAHPS,

OVERALL PATIENT SATISFACTION

PATIENT'S WILLINGNESS TO RECOMMEND HOSPITAL



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Source: Journal of Health Care

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