Updates in Palliative Care 2027

April 28 – May 1, 2027

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Pediatric Palliative Cases (Pre-Course Session Day – additional registration required)		
Wednesday, April 28, 2027		
6:30 a.m. – 7:30 a.m.	Registration & Breakfast	
7:30 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.	Welcome and Introductions	Christopher A. Collura, M.D.
7:45 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Keep It Simple: Practical Neurophysiology of Pain	Jeffery Klick, M.D
8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Buprenorphine as an Emerging Treatment for Pediatric Pain in Complex Illness	Lezlie H. Andersen, M.D.
9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Methadone Use in Children with Serious Illness	Kevin Madden, M.D.
9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Palliative Radiation Oncology: Practical Applications in the Care of Children with Serious Illness	Roman O. Kowalchuk, M.D.
10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Break	
10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Truth, Trust, and Timing: Serious Illness Disclosure in Pediatric Patients with Cancer	Jacob R. Greenmyer, M.D.
11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Pain, Stigma, and Suffering: Improving Care for Children with Sickle Cell Disease	Toluwalasé Ajayi, M.D.
11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	The Time We Have: Navigating Goals, Decisions, and Comfort in Perinatal Palliative Care	Christopher A. Collura, M.D. & Bri M. Molin, APRN, C.N.P., M.S.N.
12:00 – 12:30 p.m.	Lunch	
12:30 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	KEY NOTE: From Platitudes to Practice – The Science of Resilience and Wellbeing	Abby Rosenberg, M.D., MS, MA
1:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Break	
1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Pediatric Hospice Care: Reimagining End-of-Life Care for Children	Tressia Shaw, M.D.
2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	The Pediatric Palliative Care Toolbox for the Non-Palliative Care Provider: Essential Skills for Caring for Children at End of Life	Lezlie H. Andersen, M.D., Zach W. Lovig, MDiv, BCC, & Hannah L. Mattheisen, M.S.W., L.I.C.S.W.
2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Tracheostomy and Chronic Ventilation: Considerations in Decision-Making and Long-Term Home Care	Brenda M. Schiltz, M.D., M.A.
3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Can We? Should We? Must We? Navigating the Limits of Medicine	Christopher A. Collura, M.D.
3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Break	

High-Yield Case Pearls		
4:00 p.m. – 4:10 p.m.	Case 1: Cancer-related anorexia-cachexia	Jacob R. Greenmyer, M.D.
4:10 p.m. – 4:20 p.m.	Case 2: Pediatric Palliative Transport	Lezlie H. Andersen, M.D.
4:20 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Case 3: Sleep Disturbances	Melissa K. Smith, APRN, C.N.P., M.S.N.
4:30 p.m. – 4:40 p.m.	Case 4: Alternative Routes	Kevin Madden, M.D.
4:40 p.m. – 4:50 p.m.	Case 5: Refractory Irritability in a Child with Severe Neurologic Impairment	Lezlie Andersen, M.D.
4:50 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Case Pearls Questions	Christopher A. Collura, M.D.
5:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	Take-Home Points & Wrap-Up	Christopher A. Collura, M.D.
5:15 p.m.	Pre-Course Session Day Adjourns	

Updates in Palliative Care 2027 General Session

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Thursday April 29, 2027		
6:30 a.m.	Registration & Breakfast	
6:55 a.m.	Welcome	
7:00 a.m. – 7:30 a.m.	All Things Ketamine	Jordan Karow APRN, CNP, DNP
7:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	Palliative Surgeries	Amanika Kumar, M.D.
8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Interventional Management of Malignant Bowel Obstruction	Ryan J. Law, D.O.
8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Interventional Radiology Procedures for Symptom Management	Jonathan M. Morris, M.D.
9:00 a.m.	Break	
9:15 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Medical Aid in Dying – A Primer for Clinicians Who Care for Patients with Serious Illnesses	Jason Webb MD
9:45 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	An Approach to Navigating Goals of Care in Patients who “Don’t Want to Talk About It” or Only Want to Hear Good News	Rachel C. Gentes, APRN, C.N.P., M.S.N.
10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	POSTER VIEWING	
10:45 a.m.	Break	
11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Communicating Uncertain Prognoses in Palliative Care – Cardiology as the Example	Sarah Godfrey, MD
11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Not Another Family Meeting! Best Practices for the Complex Family Meeting.	Amanda K. Lorenz, M.D.

12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.	What clinicians need to know about supporting coping in serious illness	Keri Brenner MD
12:30 p.m.	General Session Adjourns	
Workshops – lunch provided for live in person workshop attendees (Optional add-on sessions $250.00 per – registration for live attendance closes April 27)		
Buprenorphine Basics 1:30- 4:30 p.m.		Lu A. Luonuansuu, MD, Emily Olson APRN, Angela E. Fredrickson Stockmo, R.N., CHPN
Palliative Care KSA 1:30- 5:30 p.m. 15 min break at 3:30 p.m. Participants will collaboratively work through 60 clinically pertinent palliative care scenarios in an interactive group format, guided by a physician facilitator and content expert who lead discussions and provide background on each scenario. Individuals who are participating in the American Board of Family Medicine (ABFM) continuous certification process will receive 10 points for completion of the Palliative Care Knowledge Self-Assessment (KSA) module. The workshop is not restricted to ABFM members only. The workshop provides an opportunity to connect with colleagues, discuss clinically relevant scenarios and learn together.		Frank (Andy) Bock, DO & John M. Wilkinson. M.D.

Friday April 30, 2027		
6:15 a.m.	Breakfast Poster Viewing	
6:55 a.m.	Welcome	
7:00 a.m. – 7:30 a.m.	Pain Management and Co-Morbid SUD	Katie Fitzgerald Jones, PhD, ACHPN, CARN-AP
7:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	Complex Persistent Opioid Dependence: What is it and what do I do about it?	Janet Ho, MD, MPH
8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Interpretation of Urine Drug Testing	Molly Feely, MD
8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Methadone in the buprenorphine era?	April R. Christensen, M.D., M.S.
9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	Break	
9:15 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Breaking News in Dyspnea Management	Jen L. Kleinmann-Sween M.D.
9:45 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	Anxiety Management in Palliative Care	Jason Webb MD
10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Delirium, Agitation, and the Haldol Hangover	Liz Sokolowski, MD
10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Break	

11:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.	MODERATED POSTER SESSION 3 abstracts – 10min each – 15min discussion by faculty moderator –	Areej El-Jawari MD
11:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.	Headache Management in Patients with Serious Illness	Nathan P. Young, D.O.
12:15 p.m. – 12:45 p.m. p.m.	What's New in Palliative Sedation	Wil Santivasi MD
12:45 p.m.	General Session Adjourns	

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Advanced Buprenorphine in Palliative Care 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.	Laura Rhee, DO Katie Fitzgerald Jones, PhD, ACHPN, CARN-AP

Saturday May 1, 2027		
6:15 a.m.	Breakfast Poster Session	
6:55 a.m.	Welcome	
7:00 a.m. – 7:30 a.m.	TBD	TBD
7:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	Case Based Conundrums in Palliative Gastroenterology	Teresa J. Goddard, P.A.-C.
8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Case Based Conundrums in Palliative Radiation Oncology	Laura A. McGrath, APRN, C.N.P., M.S.N.
8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Case Based Conundrums in Palliative Hematology	Rahma Warsame, M.D.
9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	Break	
9:15 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Insomnia	Lu A. Luonuansuu, MD
9:45 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	The Good, the Bad & the Inflamed: Immunotherapy Essentials for Palliative Care	Casey A. Fazer-Posorske, P.A.-C.
10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	Telehealth in Palliative Care	Areej El-Jawari MD
10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Break	
11:00 a.m.- 11:30 a.m.	Psychostimulants in Patients with Serious Illness -- What is the Evidence?	Deirdre R. Pachman, M.D.
11:30 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.	AI Tips and Tricks to Change Your Practice Today	Alisha A. Morgan, D.O., M.S.

12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Most Impactful Literature Updates in Palliative Care in the last 12 months	Wil Santivasi MD
12:30 p.m.	Course Adjourns	