Cardiology

This learning pathway includes training and tools for cardiology teams to manage symptoms, support patients with advance care planning, and improve quality of life along the trajectory of heart disease.

**CAPC Palliative Care Referral Criteria**
Checklist of triggers for referral to a specialty palliative care team.

**Relieving Suffering in Patients with Heart Failure**
Online course with interventions to reduce suffering along the disease trajectory for people living with congestive heart failure (CHF), and their families.

**Delivering Serious News**
Communicating serious clinical news to patients and families.

**Discussing Prognosis**
How to discuss patient prognosis in a manner that is sensitive, clear, and supportive.

**Clarifying Goals of Care**
Strategies for eliciting patient goals and preferences to inform treatment decisions.

**Conducting a Family Meeting**
Communication techniques for an effective family meeting.

**Advance Care Planning Conversations**
How to initiate and conduct conversations about advance care planning.

**Billing and Coding for Advance Care Planning (ACP) Services**
Requirements, best practices, documentation requirements, and time thresholds for Advance Care Planning (ACP) services. Center to Advance Palliative Care, 2018.

**Dyspnea in Patients with Serious Illness**
Take this online course to learn how to manage dyspnea, including the physical causes of shortness of breath and the emotional impact on the patient.
Course 14: Pain Management: Putting it All Together
Safe opioid prescribing for patients with serious illness, using the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) Guidelines for the Chronic Use of Opioid Analgesics.

Supporting the Family Caregiver: The Burden of Serious Illness
Assessing and supporting caregivers of people with serious illness.

Reducing Risks for Older Adults
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