

Palliative Care and COVID-19

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Summary

Collection of useful resources and articles on CPOVID-19 from a palliative care perspective.

Adapted from resources from YiWen Hon, David Adams Library, Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust and Nouredine Nenssous, Bucks Healthcare Library, Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust

Attachments

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National and International Perspective

UK

Association for Palliative Medicine of Great Britain and Ireland V4 20/04/2020

<https://apmonline.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/COVID-19-and-Palliative-End-of-Life-and-Bereavement-Care-20-April-2020-2.pdf>

NICE Clinical guide for the management of palliative care in hospital during the coronavirus pandemic V2 22/04/2020

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/coronavirus/wp-content/uploads/sites/52/2020/04/C0081-AMENDED-Speciality-guide-Palliative-care-and-coronavirus-v2-2020-04-22.pdf>

Updated (18 May 2020) - Royal College of General Practitioners. Palliative care resources Includes useful guidelines on Covid-19 symptom management and end-of-life care
<https://elearning.rcgp.org.uk/mod/page/view.php?id=10389>.

Infection Prevention Society and British Association of Critical Care Nurses: Facilitating compassionate care for patients dying with COVID-19
<https://cdn.ps.emap.com/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2020/05/IPS-Compassion-in-endoflife-care.pdf>

Updated (18 May 2020) – Scottish Palliative Care Guidelines.
<https://www.palliativecareguidelines.scot.nhs.uk/covid-19-guidance.aspx>

New (27 Apr 2020) - Coronavirus (COVID-19): palliative care toolkit
This toolkit provides health board planners in Scotland with options that can be adapted and utilised locally in their response to COVID-19.
<https://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-palliative-care-toolkit/>

International

European Association for Palliative Care [includes useful guidelines, perspectives, and operational documents from Italy]
<https://www.eapcnet.eu/publications/coronavirus-and-the-palliative-care-response>

World Health Organization. (2018). Integrating palliative care and symptom relief into responses to humanitarian emergencies and crises: a WHO guide. World Health Organization.
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World Hospice and Palliative Care Alliance. Resources for palliative care health professionals.
<http://www.thewhpc.org/covid-19#3>

Centre to Advance Palliative Care (USA). Includes Sample Decision Trees and Referral Criteria. <https://www.capc.org/toolkits/covid-19-response-resources/>

Articles

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<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7200379/>

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Singh AG, Deodhar J, Chaturvedi P. Navigating the impact of COVID-19 on palliative care for head and neck cancer [2020 Apr 27]. *Head Neck*.

<http://doi.org/10.1002/hed.26211>

Hart JL, Turnbull AE, Oppenheim IM, Courtright KR. Family-Centered Care During the COVID-19 Era [2020 Apr 22]. *J Pain Symptom Manage*.

<http://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpainsymman.2020.04.017>

Bowers B, Pollock K, Barclay S. Administration of end-of-life drugs by family caregivers during covid-19 pandemic. *BMJ*.

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Blog posts, training material etc

NEW – Difficult conversations during COVID-19

https://www.iriss.org.uk/sites/default/files/2020-04/esss_outline_difficult_conversations_during_covid-19.pdf

Death Over Dinner [English]

<https://deathverdinner.org/#who>

DeadSocial, MyWishes, application [English]

<https://www.mywishes.co.uk/>

Compassion in Dying, Supporting your Choices [English]

<https://compassionindying.org.uk/>

Anticipatory Care Planning during the COVID-19 Pandemic

<https://scotpalcovid.wordpress.com/2020/04/01/acpcovid19/>

The Role of Palliative Care in a COVID-19 Pandemic

<https://csupalliativecare.org/palliative-care-and-covid-19/>

NHS Education for Scotland: Visual guidance to support frontline staff: Difficult Conversations – why we need to talk about dying –Visual Powerpoint and poster

<https://learn.nes.nhs.scot/741/quality-improvement-zone>