

E-learning for End of Life Care (ELCA) Curriculum workbook (e-LfH system)

This curriculum workbook supports learners using the learning management system via the e-Learning for Healthcare or e-ELCA website. There are 8 courses. Within each course, there are varying numbers of e-learning sessions, listed in the tables. You do not have to complete all sessions at the same sitting. The display IDs for some of the sessions are not yet visible, so in the meantime, you should locate the session using the course name and session title.

COURSE NAME: INTRODUCTION

Display ID	Session titles	Date completed	Notes/comment
00_01	Introduction to e-learning for End of Life Care		
00_02	Relationship between palliative care and end of life care		

COURSE NAME: ADVANCE CARE PLANNING

Display ID	Session titles	Date completed	Notes/comment
	Advance care planning: principles		
01_01	Introduction to principles of ACP		
01_02	Cultural and spiritual considerations in ACP		
01_03	Benefits and risks of ACP to patients, families and staff		
01_04	ACP in practice: using end of life care tools		
	Advance care planning: context		
01_05	Advance Decision to Refuse Treatment: principles		

01_06	Advance Decision to Refuse Treatment: in practice	
01_07	Mental Capacity Act: aims and principles	
01_08	Mental Capacity Act: in practice	
01_09	Approaching ACP when capacity is uncertain, fluctuating or likely to deteriorate	
01_10	ACP and different trajectories	
	Advance care planning: process	
01_11	Introduction to conducting conversations about advance care planning	
01_12	How to get started and get the timing right	
01_13	How to handle patients' questions and concerns	
01_14	How to document conversations about advance care planning	
01_15	How to negotiate decisions which may be difficult to implement	
01_16	How to review previous ACP decisions	
	Advance care planning: developing practice	
01_17	Developing ACP in your organisation	
01_18	Developing your practice, clinical supervision, further reading	

COURSE NAME: ASSESSMENT

Display ID	Session titles	Date	Notes/comments
		completed	
	Assessment: principles		
02_01	Introduction to principles of assessment in end of life care: part 1		
02_02	Introduction to principles of assessment in end of life care: part 2		
	Assessment: domains		
02_03	Assessment of physical symptoms		

02_04	Assessment of physical function	
02_05	Assessment of psychological well-being	
02_06	Assessment of social and occupational well-being	
02_07	Assessment of spiritual well-being	
02_08	Context of assessment: cultural and language issues	
	Assessment: context	
02_09	Bereavement assessment and support	
02_10	Carer assessment and support	
02_11	Assessing through proxies	
02_12	Assessing those with fluctuating mental capacity	
02_13	Assessing urgent situations with limited information	
02_14	Assessment of dying phase and after-death care	
	Assessment: process	
02_15	First assessment: meeting the patient	
02_16	Identifying the patient's goals and priorities	
02_17	Documentation, communication and coordination	
02_18	Following up assessments and evaluating outcomes	
02_19	Uses and limitations of assessment tools	

COURSE NAME: COMMUNICATION SKILLS

Display ID	Session titles	Date	Notes/comments
		completed	
	Communication skills: principles		
03_01	The importance of good communication		
03_02	Principles of communication		

03 03	Communicating with ill people	
03 04	Talking with ill people: considering the surrounding environment	
03_05	Culture and language in communication	
03_06	Communication skills for admin staff, volunteers and other non-clinical workers	
03_07	Self awareness in communication	
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	Communication: basic skills	
03_08	Understanding and using empathy	
03_09	Skills which facilitate good communication	
03_10	Things which block good communication	
	Communication: modes of communication	
03_11	Face to face communication	
03_12	Telephone communication	
03_13	Written communication	
	Communicating: specific contexts	
03_14	Information giving	
03_15	Breaking bad news	
03_16	Communicating with non-English speaking patients	
03_17	Communicating with people with speech and hearing difficulties	
03_18	Communication with children and young people	
03_19	Request for organ and tissue donation	
03_20	Request for euthanasia	
03_21	Legal and ethical issues embedded in communication	
	Communication: challenging scenarios	
03_22	"Am I dying?" "How long have I got?" – handling challenging questions	
03_23	"Please don't tell my husband" – managing collusion	

03_24	"How dare you do this to me!" – managing anger	
03_25	"I don't believe you, I'm not ready to die!" – managing denial	
03_26	"What will it be like?" – talking about the dying process	
03_27	"Why can't I stay here" "I don't want to stay here" – when preferred place of care	
	cannot be met	
03_28	"I'm not loveable anymore" – discussing intimacy in end of life care	
03_29	"Why me?" – discussing spiritual distress	
03_30	Discussing 'do not attempt CPR' decisions	
03_31	Discussing food and fluids	
03_32	Silence: the withdrawn patient	
03_33	Distress: the crying patient	
03_34	Dealing with challenging relatives	
03_35	Challenging communication with colleagues	

COURSE NAME: SYMPTOM MANAGEMENT

Display ID	Session titles	Date completed	Notes/comments
	Symptom management: principles		
04_01	General approach to assessment of symptoms		
04_02	Agreeing a plan of management and care		
04_03	Communicating the plan of management and care		
04_04	Individual preferences and cultural influences on symptom management		
04_05	Influence of transition points and crises on decision-making in symptom mx		
04_06	Recognising your own limitations in symptom management		
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	Symptom management: pain		

04_07	Assessment of pain	
04_08	Principles of pain management	
04_09	Drug management of pain – core knowledge	
04_10	Opioids in pain management – advanced knowledge	
04_11	Managing different types of pain	
	Symptom management: breathlessness	
04_12	Assessment of breathlessness	
04_13	Drug management of breathlessness	
04_14	Non-drug management of breathlessness	
	Symptom management: nausea, vomiting and constipation	
04_15	Causes of nausea and vomiting	
04_16	Assessment of nausea and vomiting	
04_17	Management of nausea and vomiting	
04_18	Assessment of constipation	
04_19	Management of constipation	
	Symptom management: emergencies	
04_20	Management of bleeding	
04 21	Management of seizures	
04_22	Recognising and managing malignant spinal cord compression	
	Symptom management: last days of life	
04 23	Recognising the dying phase, last days of life and verifying death	
04 24	Managing death rattle	
04 25	Managing agitation and restlessness in the dying phase	
04_26	Managing distress during the dying phase	

	Symptom management: general issues	
04_27	Use of syringe drivers	
04_28	Non-drug interventions in symptom management	
04_29	Symptom management in people with learning difficulties or mental health problems	
04_30	Symptom management complicated by coexisting conditions	
04_31	Management of symptoms associated with wounds	
	Symptom management: mood	
04_32	Assessment of mood	
04_33	Assessment and management of anxiety	
04_34	Management of depression	
04_35	Assessment and management of agitation	
	Symptom management: advanced illness	
04_36	Recognising and managing fatigue	
04_37	Assessment and management of weight loss and loss of appetite	
04_38	Management of sore mouth and other oral problems	
04_39	Assessment of physical and cognitive deterioration in function	
04_40	Management of physical deterioration	
04_41	Management of cognitive deterioration	

COURSE NAME: INTEGRATING LEARNING

Display ID	Session titles	Date completed	Notes/comments
	Initiating conversations about end of life care		

05 01	initiating conversations about EoLC: COPD	
05_02	Initiating conversations about EoLC: cancer	
05_03	Initiating conversations about EoLC: dementia	
05_04	Initiating conversations about EoLC: long term neurological conditions	
	Condition-specific case studies	
05 05	Case study: End-stage cardiac disease	
05_05	Case study: End-stage cardiac disease Case study: Motor neurone disease	
05_06	Case study: Motor fleurone disease Case study: COPD	
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	Case study: End-stage renal disease Case study: Dementia	
05_09	Case study: Dementia	
	Critical situations	
05_10	Scenario: ambulance called to home	
05_11	Scenario: terminal agitation – patient in a care home	
05_12	Scenario: patient dying in acute hospital: optimising situation	
	Scenarios around dying	
05_13	When the dying process is protracted or unexpectedly fast	
05_14	Sudden unexpected death	
05_15	Dying as a prisoner	
05_16	Dying as a homeless person	
05_17	Dying in intensive care unit	
05_18	Treatment and care towards the end of life: good practice decision-making	
	Care after death	
05_19	Care after death Care after death I - Introduction to care after death	
05_20	Care after death II – Providing personal care after death	

	Frameworks and tools	
05_21	A unified DNACPR Policy	
05_22	Using the NHS Continuing Healthcare Fast Track Pathway Tool	
05_23	Framework for End of Life Care in Advanced Kidney Disease	

COURSE NAME: SOCIAL CARE

Display ID	Session titles	Date	Notes/comments
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06_01	Supporting people to live and die well		
06_02	Palliative care social work		
06_03	Assessment in end of life care		
06_04	Support and care planning at end of life		
06_05	Hospital social work		
06_06	End of life care in care homes and domiciliary care settings		

COURSE NAME: BEREAVEMENT

Display ID	Session titles	Date completed	Notes/comments
07_01	Talking about death and dying		
07_02	Assessment of carers' needs		
07_03	Practical support after a bereavement		
07_04	Sudden death and bereavement		

07_05	Emotional support and signposting	
07_06	Children and bereavement	

COURSE NAME: SPIRITUALITY

Display ID	Session titles	Date	Notes/comments
		completed	
08_01	Spirituality and the philosophy of end of life care		
08_02	Understanding and assessing spiritual need and spiritual distress		
08_03	Spiritual care and models of spiritual intervention		
08_04	Spiritual resources and quality of life		
08_05	Spirituality and the multidisciplinary team		
08_06	Spirituality in the community		