

Life Near the End of Life: Spiritual Research and Evidence-Based Support Interventions

# **CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**

November 9 & 10, 2006
Mayo Clinic
Rochester, Minnesota

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Mayo Clinic is pleased to announce the 2006 Mayo Spiritual Care Research Conference. *Life Near the End of Life: Spiritual Research and Evidence-Based Support Interventions* will be held November 9 and 10, 2006 at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. This year's conference is designed to disseminate spiritual care research and evidence-based support interventions for end-of-life care. There are few conference forums in North America designed specifically for the discussion of spiritual care research. Conference attendees will have the opportunity to interact with people from across the continent with common interests in spiritual care and related research. Dialogue will be multidisciplinary and will examine what we know and do not know about spirituality and spiritual care in the end-of-life context.

Presentations are being sought related to the conference goals:

- Promote the conduct of spiritual research for end-of-life care.
- Promote the development and implementation of evidence-based support interventions for end-of-life care.
- Present research methodologies supportive of spiritual research for end-of-life care.
- Provide a forum for the presentation of spiritual research data for end-of-life care.

# Featured Faculty

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# Abstract Applicants

Physicians, nurses, chaplains, and other healthcare providers are invited to submit abstracts for paper and/or poster presentations.

#### Paper Presentations

Abstracts for paper presentations are being sought for:

- Completed research describing end-of-life care.
- Clinical application of spiritual care research.

#### Poster Presentations

Abstracts for poster presentations are being sought for:

- Ongoing or completed research describing end-of-life care.
- Clinical application of spiritual care research.

#### Submission Guidelines and Deadline

Abstracts must be postmarked by Wednesday, March 1, 2006.

- 1. Abstracts must report on end-of-life care. The first author is responsible for the abstract content. Submission signifies the intent of the author and associates to present the paper or poster at the November 9 and 10, 2006 *Spiritual Care Research Conference*. Each abstract should be a concise report summarizing completed research (paper) and/or research in progress (poster).
- 2. The research aims, methods, results, conclusions, and application to practice should be succinctly outlined in 250 words or less.
- 3. Abstracts should be in 12 point font, single-spaced with 1½ inch margins on all sides.
- 4. Abstract packets for each presentation must be complete and include:
  - Applicant information form for each presenter (name and credentials exactly as they should appear in published materials).
  - Current curriculum vitae for each presenter.
  - Abstract (four copies total):
    - Three copies with only title at the top of the page and no presenter identification.
    - One copy with title and all presenters listed.

If selected, abstracts will be printed in conference handout materials.

# Selection and Notification

A review committee will evaluate abstracts on the following criteria: Clear problem statement and purpose, design, description of sample, methods, results, conclusions, applicability to practice and conference theme, and writing quality. Only abstracts with application to practice will be considered.

Notification of accepted abstracts and commitment for presentation at the conference will be made by **Friday**, **April 14**, **2006**.

# Registration

Presenters must register for the conference and are expected to assume costs related to travel, accommodations, and registration.

# About Mayo

Mayo Clinic, Saint Marys Hospital and Rochester Methodist Hospital together form an integrated medical center in Rochester, offering patients virtually every medical expertise, treatment, and diagnostic tool. Extensive programs in medical education and research support patient care programs.

Mayo is committed to advancing the knowledge and skills of healthcare professionals. **Mayo Continuing Nursing Education** conducts educational conferences that will advance nursing practice.

**Mayo Chaplain Services** promotes the spiritual healing and growth of patients, families, and staff. Mayo chaplains are committed to working as peers within the healthcare team and contributing a pastoral voice to the multidisciplinary conversation.

The Research Committee of the Saint Marys Hospital Sponsorship Board, Inc., facilitates, supports and provides consultation for research, and establishes priorities for research efforts, which are directed at strengthening sponsorship values. Their goal is to disseminate research findings to the broader healthcare community.

# For More Information

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If you are not completing an abstract, but would like to receive a Spiritual Care Research Conference brochure, please complete the first half of the Applicant Information Form and mail to the address indicated on the bottom of the form.

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#### **Applicant Information Form**

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