

The National Institute of Nursing Research and Partners Present a Summit on  
**THE SCIENCE OF COMPASSION**  
Future Directions in End-of-Life and Palliative Care

## Save the Date

August 10–12, 2011  
Hyatt Regency Bethesda

## Summit Objectives

- Examine the current status of palliative care and end-of-life research, practice, and policy
- Propose strategies to overcome barriers and ensure scientific and methodologic rigor in our research
- Delineate new action items that galvanize progress in this vital area of science
- Envision and map pathways to ensure a future rich with scientific endeavor and achievements

## Who Should Attend

This Summit will bring together scientists, researchers, health professionals, educators, policy makers, members of professional organizations and individuals with life-limiting illnesses as well as their caregivers.

## Key Dates

Online Registration  
**NOW OPEN**

Hyatt Reservations Deadline  
**July 1, 2011**

NINR End-of-Life and  
Palliative Care Summit  
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## Confirmed Speakers

- Dr. Ira Byock
- Dr. Richard Payne
- Dr. Randy Curtis
- Dr. Amy Abernethy
- Dr. Joan Teno
- Dr. Pamela Hinds
- Dr. Christine Miaskowski
- Dr. Jean Kutner
- Dr. Jennifer Temel



For more information and to register online,  
please visit [www.ninr.nih.gov/scienceofcompassion](http://www.ninr.nih.gov/scienceofcompassion)



## Summit Commencement and Town Hall Event

Summit opening activities begin Wednesday evening, August 10, at 7:00 p.m. with a special public event titled, “The Ethics of Science at the End-of-Life: A Town Hall Discussion.” Leading experts in science, medicine, and bioethics will converse with the public on bioethical issues faced in both end-of-life research and in practice. Featured Guests: Dr. Patricia Grady, Ms. Susan Dentzer, Dr. Marie T. Hilliard, Dr. Nancy Berlinger, Dr. Joseph F. Fins, and Dr. Karla FC Holloway.

## Evening Poster Reception

A poster session will be held in conjunction with the Summit’s Evening Reception which will feature desserts, coffee, and dialogue with top researchers in end-of-life and palliative care.

## Research Mentor and Community Dyad Program

This innovative program will pair researchers with members of the community including individuals with life-limiting illnesses and their caregivers. These dyads will attend the Summit together and interact with presenting researchers to learn firsthand about characteristics of good research and key issues in palliative care and end-of-life research.

## Senior Mentor and Junior Researcher Dyad Program

Investigators meeting the criteria for NIH defined “junior” researcher status will attend the Summit paired with a Senior Researcher Mentor. Junior and Senior Researcher pairs will attend sessions together, and Junior Researchers will receive guidance regarding state-of-the-art and methodologically rigorous palliative care and end-of-life research.

Both dyad programs will provide academic mentoring and opportunities for small group networking. Please note that spaces for these programs are limited, so be sure to apply early. You may apply for both programs online when registering for the Summit.



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