

Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine

MED 8420: Elective Clinical Rotation III: Palliative Medicine  
MED 8430: Elective Clinical Rotation IV: Palliative Medicine

MED 8421: Elective Clinical Rotation III: Palliative Medicine

4. Describe the pharmacodynamics of commonly used agents. Understand that hospice uses some medications for off-label uses
  5. Demonstrate an understanding of the ethical and legal aspects of palliative care in patients of all ages
  6. Demonstrate an understanding of cultural aspects of palliative including issues relating to geographical location (urban vs. rural), ethnicity and socioeconomic status
  7. Demonstrate an understanding of grief and bereavement and the role of the interdisciplinary team in providing support to bereaved families.
- c. Competently perform the following clinical skills:
1. Perform age-appropriate comprehensive assessment including physical, cognitive, functional, social, psychological and spiritual domains using history, examination and appropriate laboratory evaluation. Assessment of suffering and quality of life should be included.
  2. Manage common co-morbidities and complications in patients with life-threatening illnesses
  3. Manage neuro-psychiatric co-morbidities in patients with life-threatening illnesses
  4. Manage symptoms in hospice patients utilizing various pharmacologic and non-pharmacologic modalities
  5. Manage palliative care emergencies such as spinal cord compression and suicidal ideation
  6. Manage the psychosocial, social and spiritual issues involved in hospice and palliative care
  7. Provide care for the dying patient including managing terminal symptoms, patient and family education, bereavement and organ donation
  8. Include family education, psychosocial support and symptom management in patient care
  9. Initiate appropriate referral



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