

AGENDA



Evolving Palliative Care: Meeting Changing Needs with Compassion

DATE: NOVEMBER 12, 2026

TIME: 8:00AM - 4:30PM

8:00 - 8:30AM

Breakfast and Registration
- provided by Home Instead

8:30 - 8:45AM

Welcome - Melanie Kohn, President and CEO, MGH
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8:30 - 9:30AM

Keynote: Where to from here? Perspectives on the promise of palliative care -
Susan Blacker

9:45 - 10:15AM

Early Integration of Palliative Care into Oncology Care - Dr. Melody Emamian

10:15 - 10:30AM

Refreshment Break

10:30 - 11:30AM

Palliative Care Rounds:
When I Would Choose Differently
Caring for patients whose choices challenge our own values, beliefs, and
sense of what is best.
Panelists - Sarah More, RN, Dr. Patricia Disperati, Andrew Chunoo, SW

11:30 - 11:45AM

Wellness Activity - facilitated by Christine Devine

11:45AM - 12:45 PM

Lunch

12:45- 1:30 PM

Palliative Care in End Stage Dementia - Rosie Sears

1:30- 2:15 PM

An update in Medical Assistance in Dying - Dr. Noam Berlin,
Sandra Marche, RN Palliative Care Specialist

2:15-2:30 PM

Refreshment Break

2:30- 4:00 PM

Serious Illness Communication Guide Interactive Session -
Stephanie Wilkinson, Oncology APN

4:00-4:30 PM

Closing remarks and Raffle Prizes