## IPOS Palliative Care Special Interest Group – January 31, 2022 Update

## **IPOS Palliative Care SIG Structure**



# Breakdown of 2021 Activities, Goals, Objectives and Results

The Palliative Care SIG developed 3 sub-committees, which identified activities, goals, objectives, and provided an update on the results at the January 14 Palliative Care SIG meeting:

#### Education

- Purpose: To develop and deliver educational programs to members of the global community engaged in the study and practice of psychosocial oncology within palliative care.
- Goals and Objectives: (1) Develop manuscript for Psycho-oncology on the global impact of COVID-19 in the field of palliative care. (2) Develop webinar series across topics in palliative care.
- Activities: Webinar held October, 2022 on COVID's Global Impact on Palliative Care.
   Speakers from US, Canada, Mexico, China, UK.

#### Research

- Purpose: Explore unmet cross-cultural psycho-oncology / palliative care needs through a research symposium at IPOS
- Goals and Objectives: (1) Identify the common unmet needs regarding palliative care research across countries, (2) Define "dignity" across countries, (3) Develop measure of patient dignity.
- Activities: The group is currently working to write an abstract for a symposium at the
   2022 IPOS meeting on defining dignity across countries.

### Pediatric

- Purpose: Stimulate international communication with a diversity of clinical, research and cultural backgrounds in order to foster collaboration in clinical resources, research and education that relate to pediatric palliative care.
- Goals and Objectives: (1) Participate in the Adapted Resource and Implementation Application (ARIA) project to determine if guidelines are appropriate for resource constrained settings. (2) Explore opportunities in competencies and training, models of care, new therapeutic tools/resources, mentoring, sharing difficult cases
- Define a topic for a collaborative study/symposium for IPOS 2022.

o Activities: Develop topic for a collaborative symposium at IPOS 2022.

### **Challenges**

• Sub-committees have found limited time for groups to come together. Attendance is often limited, but enthusiasm remains high.

## Goals for 2022

- Develop hybrid meetings with the larger SIG, to include presentations from sub-committee leads to obtain greater engagement in sub-committee initiatives.
- Develop two educational webinars for palliative care education.
- Pursue cross cultural understandings of the construct of dignity.

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