

Intentional Care of the Spirit: The Specialty Practice of Faith Community Nursing





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Objectives

- Describe historical foundations of the current specialty practice of faith community nursing
- Define aspects of intentional care of the spirit
- Discuss opportunities for partnering between chaplains, faith community nurses, and other healthcare providers

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The Specialty Practice of Faith Community Nursing



Historical Roots of Faith Community Nursing Practice

- Religious roots
- Nursing roots
- Granger Westberg
- Parish Nurse Resource Center
- International Parish Nurse Resource Center
- Westberg Institute for Faith Community Nursing



A word about wording



parish – faith community nurse

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Core Competencies of Faith Community Nursing Practice

- Faith community nursing is a specialty practice
- The FCN is an experienced registered nurse with an active license
- Faith community nursing is considered a calling in which ministry shapes the practice.

Faith Community Nursing Practice

The practice of faith community nursing requires specialized knowledge and skills to provide *intentional care of the spirit* as a MEMBER of the care team.

The practice of faith community nursing encourages a PARTNERSHIP MODEL between faith community nurses, individuals, families, congregations,& communities as well as healthcare and spiritual care providers.

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Faith Community Nursing Practice

- Faith community nursing contributes to the health of the faith community as well as community outreach.
- Faith community nursing acknowledges the ANA/HMA Faith Community Nursing: Scope and Standards of Practice as the guide for professional practice in the United States.

Certification of Faith Community Nursing Practice

In 2014, the American Nurses
Credentialing Center (ANCC) in
conjunction with the Health
Ministries Association (HMA)
approved Faith Community
Nursing certification through
portfolio
- RN-BC

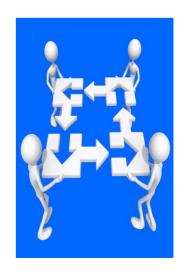


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Faith Community Nursing Practice Models

Paid – Unpaid
Full time - Part time
Single congregation – Multiple congregations
Hospital based - Organization based

Individual practice – Team nursing practice Congregational care – Community outreach MIX!





Define aspects of intentional care of the spirit

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It's all about relationships!



Body, Mind, Spirit...Self, Others, God

Populations Served

Faith Communities

- · Individuals
- Families
- Small groups
- Faith community

Community Outreach

- Community groups
- Entire community
- Special populations





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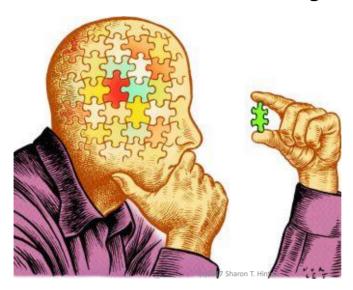
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Clergy - FCNs - Chaplains - ...



Case Study



Case Study Discussion Questions

- 1. How can clergy and FCN assist the hospital staff and chaplain to care for Mrs. Jones?
- 2. How can the various caregivers work together to assure that Mrs. Jones receives the appropriate care after discharge?
- 3. What does medical care have to do with spiritual care in this case?

