



2012

Psycho-Oncology Short Course



Identification and management of psychological and psychiatric syndromes in cancer care

What is this course and who should attend?

This two-day intensive workshop aims to help medical staff, psychologists, psychiatrists, social workers, counsellors and nurses recognize and manage or appropriately refer patients and families who present with a range of psychological and psychiatric syndromes commonly seen in the adult cancer setting.

The workshop will address disease- and treatment- related variables, developmental age and socio-cultural factors.

Presentation of material will be in the form of didactic teaching around clinical case discussion, video material and accounts of the lived experience from patients and family members. Areas that will be covered include: screening and assessment, distress, depression, demoralisation, anxiety, PTSD, grief, personality disorders, substance abuse, co-morbid disorders, organic disorders including delirium and cerebral pathology, psychotropic use and psychiatric side effects of non-psychotropic medication and the experience of the health professional.

Participants will, throughout the course, be shown a hypothesis-driven mode of enquiry into the differentiation and identification of syndromes

The psycho-oncology short courses are developed and conducted by the Psychosocial Cancer Care Department of St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne and invited associates.

The director of the program is Dr Di Clifton, psychiatrist and Medical Director of Psychosocial Cancer Care, St Vincent's Health Melbourne

Course Details

When: June 21st and June 22nd, 2012

Where: Graduate House, 220 Leicester St Carlton Vic 3053 Australia

Times: 8.30am to 5.00pm

Cost: \$700 per person + GST \$70

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