“Palliative Care: Who, What, When, Where and Why”

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Although palliative care is a rapidly growing field that has recently achieved formal subspecialty status from ABMS within 10 specialty fields, there is still much misunderstanding about how it overlaps with hospice care and when it should be initiated. This talk will define palliative care and distinguish it from hospice. It will also explore when it should be initiated, and whether all seriously ill patients need a formal consultation. A distinction will be made between primary palliative care (those palliative care functions that should be able to be carried out by non-palliative care specialists) and specialty palliative care (those more challenging cases that need formal consultation.) The process of palliative care involvement over time will be illustrated using a real case.

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Assorted wraps will be available while supplies last. Bring your own beverage.

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