Are you interested in earning your Master of Science degree, or Graduate Certificate in Palliative Care?

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**Virtual Information Sessions**

The Master of Science and Graduate Certificates in Palliative Care program hosts information sessions throughout the year. Click here to register for our next session on, March 21, 2018.

**Palliative Care Chat Podcast**

Listen to our latest podcasts! First, program director, Dr. Mary Lynn McPherson interviews Barbara Bouton, MA, FT, vice president of
professional development at the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization and second, she interviews Edmund A. Tori, DO, associate director of the MedStar Institute for Innovation and director of The Influence Center at MI2.

2018 AAHPM Annual Assembly

Visit us at booth 926 at the 2018 AAHPM Annual Assembly in Boston March 14-17 and receive your free, highly coveted, PURPLE pen and a newly revised Opioid Conversion Card based on Dr. Lynn McPherson's book Demystifying Opioid Conversion Calculations: A Guide for Effective Dosing.

Click here to review the various workshops our faculty will be hosting at the meeting!

Or come join us for breakfast at the 40 Dalton restaurant at the Hilton Boston Back Bay. It’s BYOB (buy your own bagel) and a chance to put faces to names if you’re available.

The AAHPM just announced their newest group of Visionaries and Fellows in the Academy.

When AAHPM celebrated its 25th anniversary in 2013, the visionaries project was created to recognize individuals who have made exemplary contributions to the field of hospice and palliative medicine. Thirty individuals were named, and ONE of them was Patrick J. Coyne, MSN, ACNS-BC, ACHPN, FAAN, FPCN (PALC 601, 615). Thirty additional individuals were selected as Visionaries for the Academy’s 30th anniversary, and will be awarded in March 2018 at the Annual Assembly. Joining the list from our faculty are:

- Connie Dahlin, ANP-BC, ACHPN®, FPCN, FAAN (PALC 601)
- Mary Lynn McPherson, PharmD, MA, MDE, BCPS (PALC 601, 602, 605, 607, 612, 615, 617)
- Tammie Quest, MD (PALC 607) (incoming PRESIDENT of AAHPM!)

Every year AAHPM awards selected individuals Fellowship status in the organization. Here’s a list of faculty in our program who were previously awarded Fellow status:

- Shaida Talebreza Brandon, MD, FAAHPM (PALC 611)
- Marcia Levetown, MD, FAAHPM (PALC 613)
- John S. Morris, MD, FAAHPM (PALC 612)
- Martha L. Twaddle, MD, FACP, FAAHPM (PALC 612)
- Vincent Jay Vanston, MD, HMDC, FAAHPM (PALC 605)

Several more faculty members were recently awarded Fellowship status, and will receive their award in March 2018 at the Annual Assembly meeting. These include:

- Paul DeSandre, DO (PALC 607)
- Joanne Kuntz, MD (PALC 607)
Tammie Quest, MD (PALC 607)

Patrick Coyne, MSN, ACHPN, ACNS-BC, FAAN, FPCN (PALC 601, 615) will receive an HPNA Distinguished Career Achievement Award at this year's AAHPM Annual Assembly in Boston, MA. Go Pat!

Huge, huge congratulations to the AAHPM awardees. Simply stupendous!

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**Brag Book**

We always say we have the MOST amazing faculty and students in the universe.

Read on to see where they've spoken and what they've published.

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**J. Brian Cassel, PhD** (PALC 610)

**Carla Cheatham MA, Mdiv, PhD** (PALC 604, 614)
- Faculty Accomplishment: Visit Rev. Dr. Cheatham's gofundme page to learn (and to donate!) how she is raising funds to give free copies of her book, *Hospice Whispers: Stories of Life* to non-profit hospices, VA clinics, and grief counseling centers across the US. Click [here](#) to purchase a copy of Rev. Dr. Cheatham's book through Amazon.

**Delia Chiaramonte, MD** (PALC 606)
- Presentation: An Evidence-Based Approach to Physician Wellness. Jan. 12, 2018, Department of Endocrinology Grand Rounds, University of Maryland Medical Center, Midtown Campus, Baltimore, MD. Guest Speaker.
- Presentation: Advance Care Planning. Jan. 16, 2018, Myerberg Senior Center, Baltimore, MD. Guest Speaker.
- Quoted: From *Baltimore Style* - "Peace Out." Dec. 2017. Click [here](#) to read the full article.

**Patrick Coyne, MSN, ACHPN, ACNS-BC, FAAN, FPCN** (PALC 601, 615)
- Publication: Coyne, Patrick, et al. Fosaprepitant for the Management of


Constance Dahlin, MSN, ANP-BC, ACHPN, FPCN, FAAN (PALC 601)

- Presentation: Interdisciplinary Leadership in Palliative Care. Oklahoma University Palliative Care Summit, Nov. 2017, Oklahoma University. Guest Speaker.
- Presentation: HPNA End of Life Nursing Education Consortium (ELNEC), Niagara and Boston.

Joanne Kuntz, MD, FACEP (PALC 607)

- Faculty Accomplishment: Dr. Kuntz was nominated to join the American Board of Internal Medicine’s Test Writing Committee for the Hospice and Palliative Medicine board exam.

Mary Lynn McPherson, PharmD, MA, MDE, BCPS (PALC 601, 602, 605, 607, 612, 615, 617)

- Presentation: Calling the Marines: Methadone, Ketamine and Lidocaine. Hospice and Palliative Care Nurses Association, Greater Sacramento Area Chapter, Quarterly Meeting, Sacramento, CA, Jan. 2018.
- Presentation: Common Pharmacomistakes at the End of Life. 3rd Annual PCARE Updates in Palliative Care, Palliative Care Alliance in Research and Education, Sacramento, CA, Jan. 2018.

**John Morris, MD, FAAHPM (PALC 612)**

**Tammie Quest, MD (PALC 607)**

**JoAnne Reifsnyder, PhD, RN, FAAN (PALC 608, 609)**
- Presentation: Stevens D, Reifsnyder J. Team Health and Resilience. CAPC Webinar, Feb. 2018

**Marguerite Russo, PhD (PALC 603)**
- Presentation: Patient Centered Outcome Measures (PROMs) in Heart Failure. Dec. 21, 2017, Advanced Practice Nursing Grand Rounds, University of Maryland Medical Center, Midtown Campus, Baltimore, MD. Guest Speaker.

**Donna Stevens, MHA (PALC 609)**

**Shaida Talebreza Brandon, MD, FAAHPM (PALC 611)**
- Faculty Accomplishment: Dr. Talebreza Brandon has been elected to the American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine Board of Directors.

**Martha Twaddle, MD, FACP, FAAHPM, HMDC (PALC 612)**

**Kathryn Walker, PharmD, BCPS, CPE (PALC 610)**
- Faculty Accomplishment: Dr. Walker has been named the 2018 chair-elect for the Pharmacotherapy SIG of the American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine.

**Turner West, MPH, MTS, (PALC 610)**
- Presentation: Gatto M, Newman SS, West T. How to Grow a Program Strategically:
The fall 2018 semester is right around the corner! Get started on your application today!