

# Transforming Chaplaincy

## Annual Report FY23

### Vision

*We envision a future where chaplaincy is formed, informed, and transformed by evidence-based practice.*

### Mission

*Our mission is to promote evidence-based spiritual care and integrate research into professional practice and education by fostering a culture of inquiry.*



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## Introduction | Ron Oliver, Chair of Advisory Committee

These are amazing days for Transforming Chaplaincy's (TC) work. In 2023 TC had some 75,000 interactions with individuals on a variety of platforms. Additionally, there are over 2,100 in TC's nine network groups. TC is leading or involved in 30 research projects, and in 2023 achieved 15 peer-review publications and a book chapter with many more in the pipeline. I invite you to skim this report and meet the amazing Advisory Committee, Network Conveners, Instructors and Faculty supporting this work.

Everyone involved with TC and all the activity TC produces is for one goal: "To promote evidence-based spiritual care and integrate research into professional practice and education by fostering a culture of inquiry." A professional is a life-long learner. Col. Herman Keizer, said to a group of chaplains, "Competency is a moral imperative." TC agrees. The competence gap between where chaplains will be in relation to our professional peers will grow unless each of us is committed to rigorous, relevant, life-long learning. Doing so is essential for effective care and, frankly, the future of the profession. Transforming Chaplaincy is the singularly focused source for the research and researchers propelling the chaplaincy profession. Whatever research you need, you'll likely find it here. This is your invitation to take a look. In particular the three appendices provide an excellent resource catalogue.



I want to give a special shout out to Csaba Szilagyi TC's Director who has wrapped up his first year. In the midst of a move with his family, working on his PhD dissertation, learning Rush University and picking up the reigns of TC's dynamic and diverse operation – he'd done it all and done it well. It was a good day for TC when he assumed its leadership.

Finally, spend a moment meeting the many individuals and institutions supporting chaplaincy research through TC. Without them, this vital work would not be possible. And of course, if you believe the mission is relevant and the outcomes are beneficial, I invite you to become a TC supporter. As you can see, your financial support makes a difference. There is so much more to be done, let's do it together.

Ron Oliver, PhD, MBA, BCC

Chair, Transforming Chaplaincy, Advisory Committee

System Vice President, Mission & Outreach, Norton Healthcare

## Introduction | Csaba Szilagyi, Director

I was delighted to step into the role of the Director of Transforming Chaplaincy in January 2023. I am fortunate to continue working with George Fitchett as a Senior Advisor and Andrew Andresco as a Senior Project Coordinator. They and everyone connected to Transforming Chaplaincy welcomed me with open arms and supported me at every turn. In many ways, this season was focused on understanding and strengthening the elaborate web of connections, partnerships, projects, and programs comprising Transforming Chaplaincy.

It has been exciting to see Transforming Chaplaincy thrive during this transition. This annual report reflects Transforming Chaplaincy's life and work between July 2022 and June 2023. I hope readers get a sense of the breadth and depth of our efforts to move evidence-based spiritual care forward through the 30 research projects and 16 publications, the portfolio of educational offerings, and webinars with thousands of attendees and YouTube views in FY23 alone.

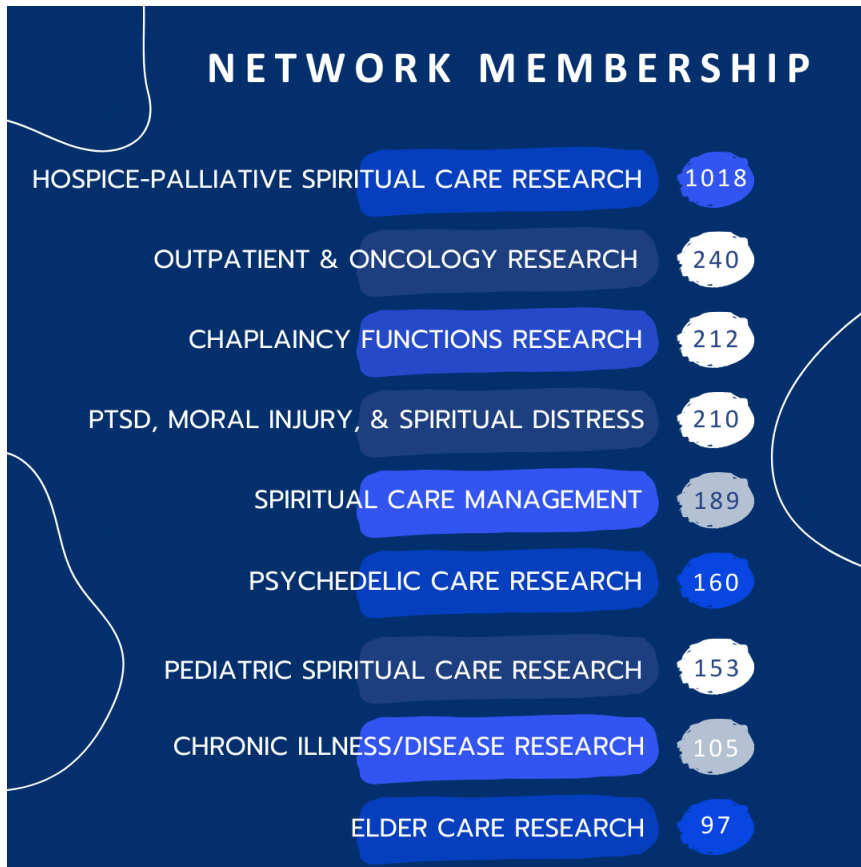
It is especially heartening to see the many faces of Transforming Chaplaincy on the following pages. They came together from a wide range of backgrounds to generously give their time and expertise to pursue our shared mission. Transforming Chaplaincy's accomplishments and activities you read about in this report would not be possible without them. I express deep gratitude to our Advisory Committee Members, Research Network Conveners, Course Instructors, and other key collaborators. Special thank you to our organizational partners Providence St. Joseph Health and Indiana University Health and the donors in our first fundraising campaign for sustaining and investing in Transforming Chaplaincy. I am grateful to the leaders and members of the Department of Religion, Health, and Human Values at Rush University Medical Center and the Rush College of Health Sciences for providing a solid organizational home for Transforming Chaplaincy and our team. Finally, I appreciate Andrew Andresco and his dedication, proficiency, and indispensable role in operating our enterprise.



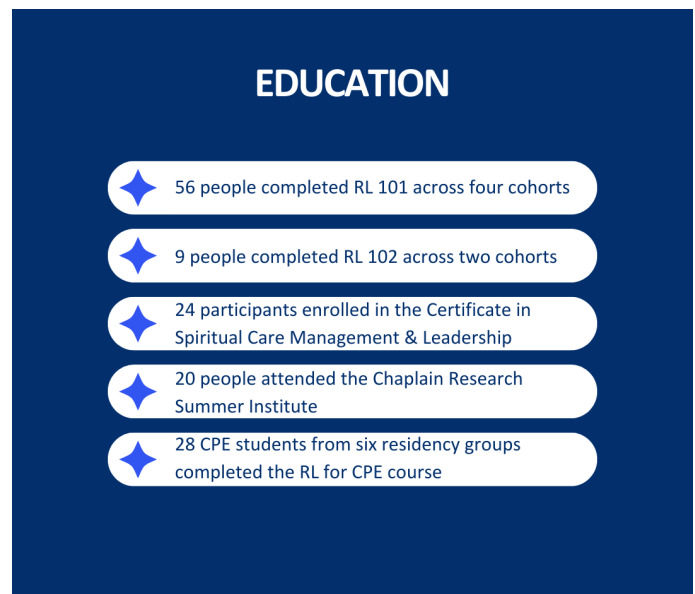
Our shared commitment to evidence-based practice not only ensures the highest quality of care for patients but also promotes the continued growth and recognition of the chaplaincy profession as an integral part of healthcare teams. Transforming Chaplaincy continues to pave the way for advancements in chaplaincy research and education, ultimately improving individuals' spiritual and emotional well-being in healthcare settings.

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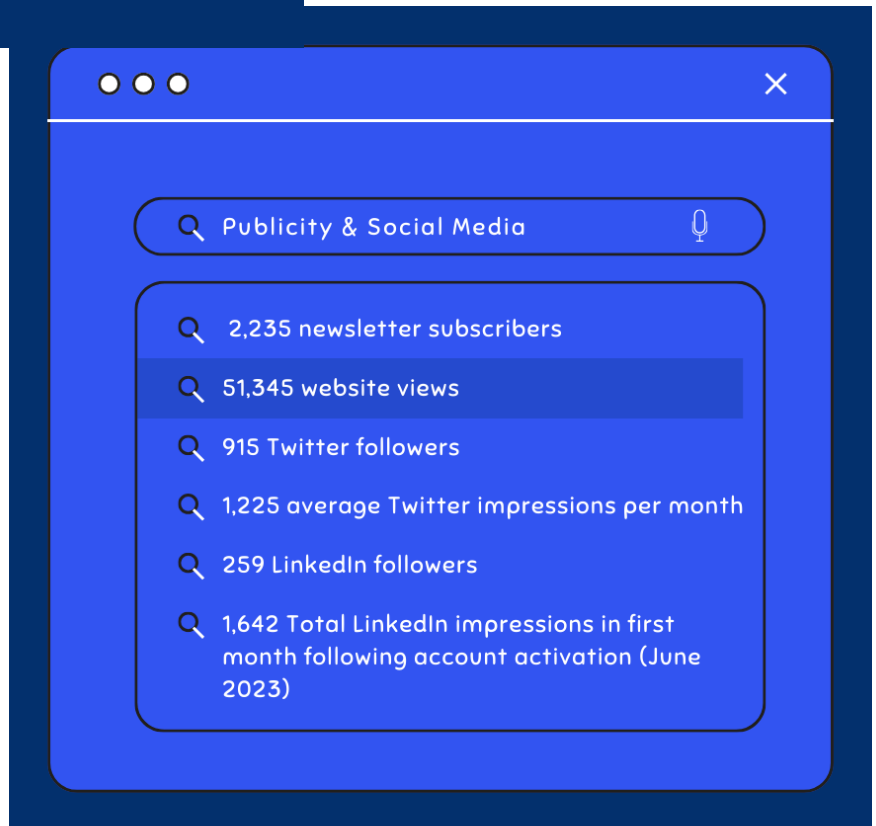
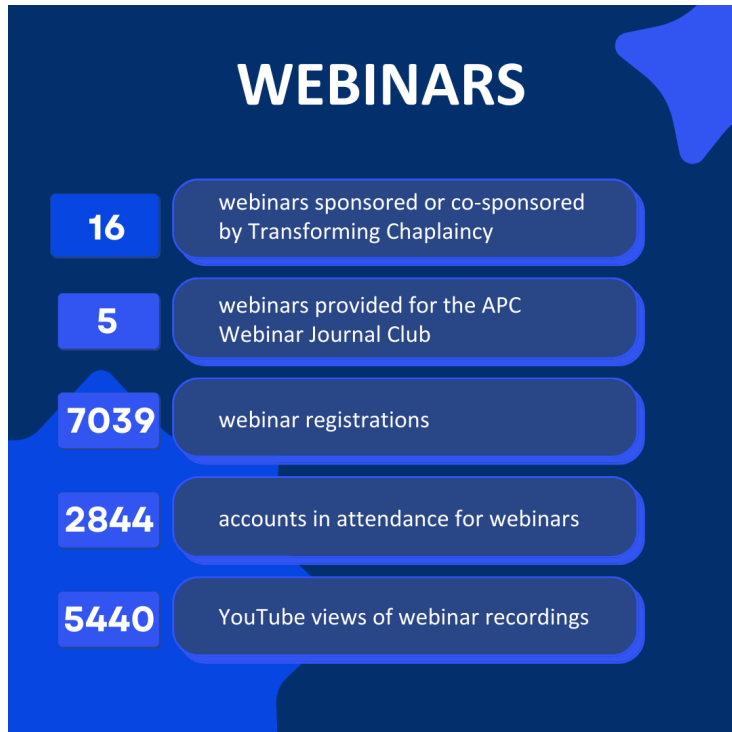
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RESEARCH	
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RESEARCH PROJECTS	PUBLICATIONS



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## Faces of Transforming Chaplaincy

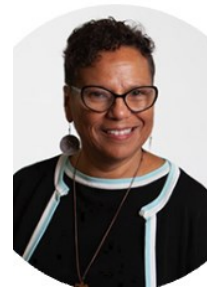
Transforming Chaplaincy thrives because dedicated people generously share their time, wisdom, and expertise. They enable us to positively impact the field and the lives of those we serve. We are deeply grateful for all their contributions and partnership.

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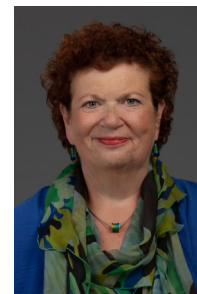
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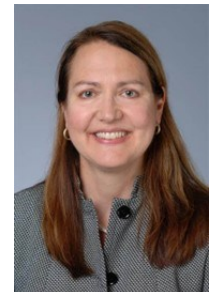
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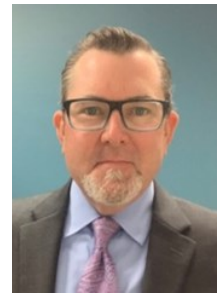
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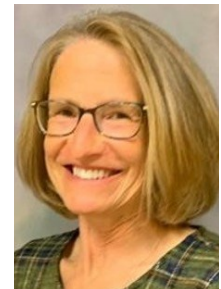
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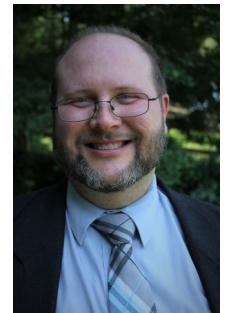
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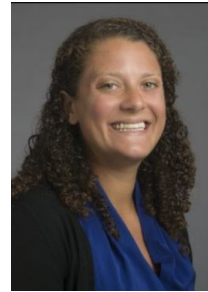
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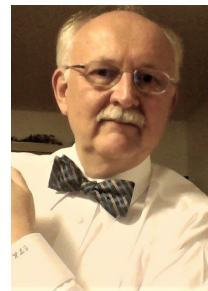
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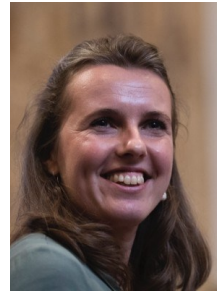
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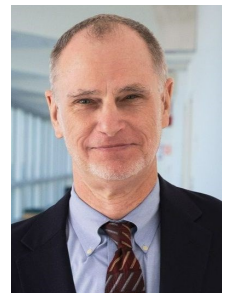
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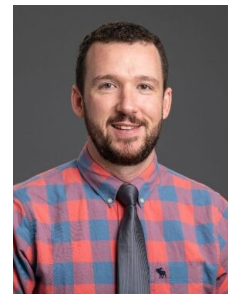
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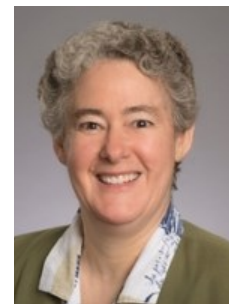
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2023 Faculty Team

## Development and Fundraising

### Organizational Partners

Transforming Chaplaincy has continued fruitful partnerships with **Providence St. Joseph Health** and **IU Health** in the past year. Transforming Chaplaincy's organizational partners provide generous and essential support for all our research and educational efforts. In addition, our partners receive discounts for our educational activities, consultation for their spiritual care research, and opportunities to participate in other Transforming Chaplaincy research activities. We were pleased to have several Providence and IU Health chaplains participate in the Spiritual Care Management and Leadership certificate program, the Chaplaincy Research Summer Institute (CRSI), and online Research Literacy courses. We are grateful for both organizations' vital support and investment in Transforming Chaplaincy and partnering with us to advance evidence-based spiritual care.



### Fundraising Campaign:

#### Honor Dr. George Fitchett's Legacy and Ensure the Future of Chaplaincy Research

Transforming Chaplaincy aimed to raise funds to collectively match the generous \$50,000 gift from Reverend David Johnson to celebrate George Fitchett's service to our profession and build the future of Transforming Chaplaincy. **Our first fundraising campaign raised \$72,787 from 75 donors who support our work.** Donations enable Transforming Chaplaincy to prepare chaplains as evidence-based practitioners, conduct impactful research to inform and advocate for chaplaincy, and provide scholarships to ensure equitable access to our educational programs.

*For a reflection from Theresa Vithayathil Edmonson, Vice President of Spiritual Health at Providence St. Joseph Health, on George Fitchett's legacy and supporting Transforming Chaplaincy, see [this link](#).*

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## Former TC Fellows Earning Doctoral Degrees

With grants from the John Templeton Foundation, the first phase of Transforming Chaplaincy (2015-2019) supported 17 Fellows who completed MPH and other master's degrees in research. In the past few years, nine of these former Fellows (53% if you're doing the math) have entered or completed PhD degrees. We are very excited about the contribution these former Fellows are making to spiritual care research and about the contributions they will be making in the future.

Fellow	Program, School	Status
Kelsey White	Department of Health Management and System Sciences, School of Public Health and Information Sciences, University of Louisville	Graduated, Fall, 2021 Thesis: "Hospital-based Professional Spiritual Care: Evaluating the Utilization, Availability, & Impact of Chaplains."
Kristin Golden	Department of Kinesiology and Community Health, College of Allied Health Sciences, University of Illinois Urbana Champaign	Graduated, Spring, 2022 Thesis: "Coping with Intimate Partner Violence: Does It Matter What Women Think About Forgiveness?"
Geila Rajae	Department of Health Behavior and Health Education, School of Public Health, University of Michigan	PhD Candidate Graduation anticipated Spring/Summer 2024
Tim Usset	Division of Health Policy and Management, School of Public Health, University of Minnesota	Began Fall, 2020
Paul Galchutt	Doctor of Philosophy in Palliative Care, University of Maryland Baltimore	Began Fall, 2022
Dirk Labuschagne	Health Sciences, Rush University	Began Fall, 2022
Petra Sprik	Department of Health Services Administration, University of Alabama at Birmingham	Began Fall, 2022
Shelley Varner-Perez	Health & Rehabilitation Sciences, School of Health & Human Sciences, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI)	Began Fall, 2022
Cate Michelle Desjardin	Faculty of Theology, Catholic University, Leuven, Belgium	Beginning Fall, 2024



## Research Highlights FY23

Research is one of the core activities of Transforming Chaplaincy. In FY23 Transforming Chaplaincy, and colleagues affiliated with us, have been involved in 30 research projects. A complete list of those projects appears on the following pages. Below we have highlighted four of them. These research activities have led to 15 peer-reviewed publications and one book chapter. The peer-reviewed publications address spiritual care for healthcare workers, spiritual care in the Covid-19 pandemic, spiritual care leadership in a time of racial reckoning, spiritual care services in the leading hospitals in the US, and the role of religion and spirituality in serious illness and population health among other topics. A complete list of these publications can be found in the Appendices.

### Transforming Chaplaincy Collaborates on 2 NIH Proposals

A major highlight for the Transforming Chaplaincy research program in FY23 was collaboration on two major proposals to the NIH. The first proposal was “Leveraging Spirituality to Control Diabetes: A Faith Based Multi-Component Intervention for African Americans with T2DM (FAITH - DM).” This project is led by Dr. Leonard Egede and colleagues at the Medical College of Wisconsin. The aim of the project is to test the benefits of adding spiritual care to a diabetes education program for African-American patients with poorly controlled diabetes. George Fitchett, Senior Advisor for TC, and Charles Valenti-Hein, Chaplain Specialist, On Demand Spiritual Care Ascension are Co-Investigators. In June 2023, the project received positive reviews. The team is revising the proposal for resubmission. The second project was the “Chaplain Family Project Multicenter RCT.” This project is led by Dr. Alexia Torke and colleagues, including chaplain-research Shelley Varner-Perez, at IU Health. The aim of this project is to test the benefits of the SCAI intervention in a large and diverse sample of ICU family surrogates. George Fitchett is a Co-Principal Investigator and Csaba Szilagy, Director of TC, is a Co-Investigator for this project. The project was submitted to the NIH in June 2023.

### Addressing Moral Injury in Health Care Workers

In FY23, Tim Usset, Convener of Transforming Chaplaincy’s PTSD, Moral Injury, & Spiritual Distress Network, was active in research that addressed issues of stress and resilience in healthcare workers, and specifically the issue of moral injury (MI). This work included an extensive scoping review of research about MI in healthcare workers (Griffin et al., 2023). Building on their review, the team generated a model for MI in healthcare workers that describes individual, organization, and

## Research Highlights FY23 (continued)

system-level factors associated with MI. In another publication Tim and colleagues reported a meta-analysis of RCTs designed to address MI; the studies focused primarily on service members and veterans (Aita et al., 2023). The review, which included two RCTs of the Building Spiritual Strengths (BSS) intervention, found that evidence-based treatments for MI are comparable to conventional trauma treatments for attenuating PTSD symptoms and are superior in attenuating MI symptoms. In a third paper, Tim and colleagues (Chamberlin & Usset, et al., 2023), report on the development of Health and Strength (HAS); a spiritually integrated intervention designed to address moral distress and injury in healthcare workers. Based on the BSS intervention, HAS is a 6-session, group intervention that is co-led by a chaplain and mental health professional. The aim of HAS is to help healthcare workers connect with their values, faith, and spirituality; increase their appreciation for moral complexity and dilemmas; and increase their capacity for self/other forgiveness. An RCT of HAS is currently underway.

### Spiritual Care Mapping Research Extended

In FY23 we extended our mapping of spiritual care services to new contexts. In FY22 we studied spiritual care services and staffing in the 20 Honor Roll hospitals (Tartaglia et al., 2023). This year we launched a project to conduct a similar study in 100 community hospitals; a sample that will allow greater generalizability of the findings. We also began work on studies of spiritual care services in leading pediatric hospitals and in outpatient cancer centers. Finally, we studied the involvement of spiritual care programs in community wellness initiatives. All of these projects were supported by grants from Rush's College of Health Sciences and conducted in collaboration with Kelsey White and her colleagues at Virginia Commonwealth University.

### Muslim Chaplains in the Clinical Borderlands

This year Lance Laird and Samsiah Abdul-Majid published their report about Muslim healthcare chaplains. Their study is based on interviews with a diverse sample of 20 Muslim chaplains. In the report they describe how these chaplains "interpret their authority, function, and identity within a professional space defined by dominant American religious norms as well as by shifting standards for leadership within American Muslim communities." The project was supported by an Association of Professional Chaplains and Transforming Chaplaincy Pilot Project Grant.

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Topic	Project, Leader, Funding	Description	Status
<b>Chaplain Education</b>	CPE and Emotional Intelligence Csaba Szilagyi ACPE Foundation	Study of changes in emotional intelligence and counseling self-efficacy in CPE students, both single unit interns and year-long residents. Data collection began Fall 2020; 30 centers recruited, 160 students completed baseline survey, includes surveys as well as qualitative interviews	Data collection completed; Analysis completed; Preparation of reports underway
<b>Chaplain Education</b>	Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) at NHS England Csaba Szilagyi NHS England	Using surveys and focus groups evaluate the outcomes (emotional intelligence and counseling self-confidence) of students in a CPE program in England	Data collection completed; analysis completed; Mss in preparation
<b>Chaplain Practice – Competencies</b>	Developing Core Competencies for Chaplains in Psychedelic Care Steve Lewis	Using comparisons with other competency models the project will articulate necessary skills, education, ethics, and experience needed to function in the context of psychedelic medicines	First draft of competencies developed and presented for feedback in multiple forums
<b>Chaplain Practice – Screening</b>	Screening for Religious/Spiritual Concerns in Cancer Patients George Fitchett Rush University College of Health Sciences	Test 6 different models for screening for spiritual distress against gold standard of chaplain spiritual assessment interview in oncology outpatient setting	Mss in preparation
<b>Chaplain Practice – Spiritual Assessment</b>	Development of the ONC-5 for Spiritual Assessment of Adult Oncology Patients George Fitchett, Dirk Labuschagne Rush University College of Health Sciences	Describe the development, validity, and reliability of a new quantifiable model for spiritual assessment for adult oncology patients	Mss in preparation
<b>Chaplain Practice - Spiritual Assessment</b>	PC 7 Spiritual Assessment Studies George Fitchett, Dirk Labuschagne Rush University College of Health Sciences	Describe the validity and reliability of the PC 7, multi-site project	Data collection underway
		Use PC 7 to describe the prevalence and correlates of unmet spiritual concerns in patients receiving palliative care, 2 academic medical centers	Data collection complete Preliminary analysis complete

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Topic	Project, Leader, Funding	Description	Status
<b>Describing Women's Coping with Intimate Partner Violence</b>	Coping with Intimate Partner Violence: Does It Matter What Women Think About Forgiveness Kristin Golden Transforming Chaplaincy	Describe the relationships between forgiveness, beliefs about forgiveness, motivations for forgiveness, and four health outcomes in 154 female survivors of intimate partner violence	Mss in preparation
<b>Interventions &amp; Outcomes</b>	Feasibility and Acceptability of Implementing Dignity Therapy as a Supportive Intervention for Individuals with Advanced Neurodegenerative Disease Dirk Labuschagne Rush Center for Excellence in Aging	Pilot study to test the feasibility and acceptability of providing Dignity Therapy for patients with advanced Parkinson's Disease and their caregivers	Presented at conference; Mss in preparation
<b>Interventions &amp; Outcomes</b>	OnDemand Spiritual Care in Oncology Beth Muehlhausen Ascension	Pilot study of On Demand (out-patient) spiritual care for 27 oncology patients in 7 Ascension markets	Mss under review
<b>Interventions &amp; Outcomes</b>	Leveraging Spirituality to Control Diabetes: A Faith Based Multi-Component Intervention for African Americans with T2DM (FAITH - DM). Leonard Egede	The aim is to implement an intervention to support religious coping and address religious fatalism in order to support self-management among low income African American patients with Type II diabetes	Proposal submitted to and reviewed by NIH; revised proposal in preparation
<b>Interventions &amp; Outcomes</b>	Chaplain Family Project Multicenter RCT Alexia Torke, George Fitchett	Develop a proposal to NIH for a multi-site RCT of the SCAI intervention for ICU family surrogates	Proposal drafted and under review at NIH
<b>Interventions &amp; Outcomes</b>	Psilocybin assisted therapy for palliative care patients Ali John Zarrabi (PI) Caroline Peacock (spiritual health clinician) Emory Health	Clinical trial of psilocybin assisted therapy for palliative care patients experiencing demoralization	Study in progress

## Transforming Chaplaincy Research Activities

Topic	Project, Leader, Funding	Description	Status
<b>Issues in Chaplaincy – Faith Group Endorsement</b>	Mapping the Issues in Faith Group Endorsement (FGE) for Chaplain and CPE Educator Certification Nina Redl Grants from APC and ACPE	Describe views about importance, strengths, and weaknesses of FGE for chaplain and certified educator certification using focus groups and interviews with 80 key stakeholders	Report completed; Presented at conference; Mss in preparation
<b>Issues in Chaplaincy – Evaluating Employee Requests for Vaccine Exemption</b>	Religious Exemptions for COVID-19 Vaccine: Survey of Healthcare Chaplain: The Experiences of Chaplains Assisting and Evaluating Employee Requests Jeanne Wirpsa	Describe chaplains' experiences in evaluating employees' requests for religious exemption from Covid vaccine; online survey among members of professional chaplain organizations	Webinar presented; Mss under review
<b>Mapping Chaplain Activities - Community Wellness</b>	Mapping Spiritual Care and Community Wellness Kelsey White Transforming Chaplaincy	Describe how spiritual care programs are involved in efforts to collaborate with congregations and community agencies to support wellness and reduce readmission; key informant interviews and online survey of spiritual care managers	Data collection completed; Mss in preparation
<b>Mapping Chaplain Activities –Covid Pandemic &amp; Double Pandemic</b>	Spiritual Care in Covid Pandemic Cate Michelle Desjardins, Beth Muehlhausen Transforming Chaplaincy	Accounts of spiritual care in the early months of the Covid 19 pandemic from journals of 21 chaplains	Mss published (see Appendix)
		Interview 20 spiritual care managers about experience of providing leadership during the early months of the Covid 19 pandemic	Mss published (see Appendix)
		Describe how 20 spiritual care managers addressed issues of racism in their departments and organizations in the context of the double pandemic	Mss published (see Appendix)

## Transforming Chaplaincy Research Activities

Topic	Project, Leader, Funding	Description	Status
<b>Mapping Chaplain Activities – Psychedelic Assisted Therapy</b>	The Experience, Function, and Perspective of Chaplains in Psychedelic Assisted Care: A Qualitative Study Caroline Peacock	Qualitative interviews with 16 chaplains involved in psychedelic assisted therapy	Mss under review
<b>Mapping Chaplain Activities – Spiritual Care Services</b>	Describing Spiritual Care Service Activities at 20 US News & World Report Honor Roll Hospitals Lex Tartaglia Rush University College of Health Sciences	Describe spiritual care services, and staffing employed to provide them, using zoom interviews with spiritual care managers	Mss published (see Appendix)
		Describe spiritual care programs' support for health care colleagues	Mss published (see Appendix)
<b>Mapping Chaplain Activities – Spiritual Care Services</b>	Mapping Spiritual Care in CommonSpirit Small & Critical Access Hospitals Kristen Schenk CommonSpirit grant	Describe spiritual care services in 19 small and critical access hospitals operated by CommonSpirit	Mss in preparation
<b>Mapping Chaplain Activities – Spiritual Care for Patients with Dementia</b>	Spiritual Care for Nursing Home Residents with Dementia: A Focus Group Study Meganne Masko Transforming Chaplaincy	Describe key spiritual care services for patients with dementia in long term care with emphasis on use of music and collaboration with music therapists using focus groups. Project in collaboration with Religion/Spirituality SIG of PCRC	Data collection complete; Analysis underway
<b>Mapping Chaplain Activities – Long Term Care</b>	Mapping Religious and Spiritual Care in Long-Term Care Centers in Two U.S. Counties Kathryn Lyndes, Sarah McEvoy Transforming Chaplaincy & St. Mary's College	Describe spiritual care in all long-term care facilities in two US counties	Data collection underway; Conference presentation
<b>Mapping Chaplain Activities – Outpatient Care</b>	Chaplain Interventions and Outcomes in Outpatient Settings: A Systematic Review Petra Sprik	Scoping review of publications about spiritual care in the outpatient context	Studies selected; Analysis underway

## Transforming Chaplaincy Research Activities

Topic	Project, Leader, Funding	Description	Status
<b>Mapping Chaplain Activities – Chaplain Involvement in Bioethics</b>	The Role of the Healthcare Chaplain in Clinical Medical Ethics Jeanne Wirpsa	Survey healthcare chaplains about their formal contributions to the work of clinical medical ethics in their organizations	Data collected; Analysis underway
<b>Mapping Chaplain Activities – Spiritual Care Services</b>	Describe Spiritual Care Services in Community Hospitals Kelsey White Rush University College of Health Sciences	Describe spiritual care services, and staffing employed to provide them in 100 community hospitals using zoom interviews with spiritual care managers	Planning underway
<b>Mapping Chaplain Activities – Spiritual Care Services</b>	Describe Spiritual Care Services in Pediatric Hospitals Kelsey White Rush University College of Health Sciences	Describe spiritual care services, and staffing employed to provide them in a sample of leading pediatric hospitals using zoom interviews with spiritual care managers	Planning underway
<b>Mapping Chaplain Activities – Spiritual Care Services</b>	Describe Spiritual Care Services in Cancer Centers Kelsey White Rush University College of Health Sciences	Focus groups with chaplains providing spiritual care in outpatient cancer centers; Describe spiritual care services in a sample of outpatient cancer centers using zoom interviews with spiritual care managers	Planning underway
<b>Stress and Well-Being in Health Care Colleagues</b>	Factors associated with healthcare staff stress and resilience: a scoping review Tim Usset	Scoping review of research describing factors associated with healthcare worker stress and well-being; analysis conducted using NAM model of 7 factors associated with healthcare worker stress and well-being	Mss under review
	Spiritual care for healthcare workers: a scoping review Sarah Knapp	Scoping review of research describing direct and indirect spiritual care for staff	Mss in preparation
<b>Stress and Well-Being in Healthcare Colleagues</b>	Health and Strength Tim Usset	Develop and implement Health and Strength (HAS), an intervention to address moral injury in healthcare workers	HAS intervention developed and reported in publication (see Appendix); RCT of HAS is underway

## Transforming Chaplaincy Research Network Highlights

### Chaplaincy Functions Research Network

- Three webinars (one with APC and two with TC)
- Work with APC (and ACPE) on next steps in looking at Faith Group Endorsement (especially with the APC BCCI committee and the APC quality and research committee)
- Ongoing research project exploring chaplains' experiences evaluating religious accommodation requests from coworkers regarding mandatory COVID-19 vaccination for healthcare workers
- Several conference and grand rounds presentations
- Ongoing research projects exploring the role of the healthcare chaplain in clinical medical ethics and chaplain documentation
- Started Spiritual Screening Workgroup: Monthly meetings with presentations and discussions of how spiritual care departments have developed and implemented spiritual screening in in- and out-patient clinical contexts.

### Chronic Illness/Disease Research Network

- Research collaboration with the Medical College of Wisconsin to explore addressing issues of religious fatalism among patients with type 2 diabetes; seeking NIH funding for the project

### Elder Care Research Network

- Subgroups in elder care case studies and in assessment
- Three webinars in collaboration with Transforming Chaplaincy
- Regularly occurring member meetings to facilitate networking and explore evidence-based progress

### Hospice-Palliative Spiritual Care Research Network

- Three webinars in collaboration with Transforming Chaplaincy
- Initiation of a H/PC Chaplain Community of Practice in collaboration with HPSCRN Partnering Organization
- Five presentations to various audiences within and outside of TC
- Special interest groups focusing on bereavement coordination and inpatient palliative care



## Transforming Chaplaincy Research Network Highlights

### Outpatient Research Network

- Journal Club with Outpatient Oncology Research Network
- Literature Review (in process) on Outpatient Chaplaincy Interventions and their outcomes

### Pediatric Spiritual Care Research Network

- Two network-related webinars
- Research around identifying needs and opportunities around pediatric spiritual assessment
- Subgroups in Pediatric Spiritual Assessment, Spiritual Play, and Case Studies in Pediatrics

### Psychedelic Care Research Network

- Subgroups in research, education & training advocacy, social networking, and competencies
- Presentations for three different conferences/symposiums
- [Click here](#) for a detailed description of the Psychedelic Care Network's work.

### PTSD, Moral Injury, & Spiritual Distress

- Several ongoing research projects
  - Implementation of Innovative Treatment for Moral Injury Syndrome
  - Mitigating Moral Injury via Healing Social Networks
  - Reanalysis of the National Survey of Religious Leaders
  - Rural Community Clergy Training Program
  - Building Spiritual Strength in Military Healthcare Providers
  - Dr. J. Irene Harris's article, "Chaplains' Perspectives on Standardizing Spiritual Assessments" was chosen as the December 2022 ACPE Research Article-of-the-Month.
  - Ch. Timothy Usset was awarded a 2023 Tillman Scholarship.

### Spiritual Care Management Network

- Regularly occurring manager roundtable gatherings and discussions
- With the Chaplaincy Functions network, ongoing research around factors associated with healthcare workers' distress and resilience and around chaplain interventions related to distress and resilience among healthcare workers

## Education Highlights FY23

Educational Program	Partici- pants	Objective
<a href="#">Chaplain Research Summer Institute (CRSI)</a>	20	Develop research literacy, become familiar with chaplaincy research, and network with colleagues engaged in research.
<a href="#">Spiritual Care Management and Leadership</a>	24	Prepares current and future spiritual care managers to lead dynamic and effective spiritual care programs in a rapidly changing healthcare environment.
<a href="#">Research Literacy 101: An Introduction for Chaplains (RL101)</a>	56	Build research literacy skills: reading and applying research articles to chaplains' vital work as front-line spiritual care providers in vari-
<a href="#">Research Literacy 102: A Deeper Exploration for Chaplains (RL 102)</a>	9	
<a href="#">Research Literacy for CPE</a>	28	Develop basic skills to identify, evaluate, and apply relevant research for evidence-based spiritual care practice.

*Clicking on the course name will take readers to additional course information.*

## Chaplain Research Summer Institute (CRSI)

Twenty participants completed the 2022 Chaplain Research Summer Institute (CRSI) in Chicago from July 11 to July 15, 2022. The Chaplaincy Research Summer Institute (CRSI) aims to help chaplains develop research literacy, understand different research approaches, appreciate the existing body of chaplaincy research, and network with novice and experienced chaplains engaged in chaplaincy research. The week includes didactic sessions about research methods, “Under the Hood” presentations about their research by the faculty, small groups where participants can discuss their research interests, and presentations about emerging research by selected participants. The 2022 CRSI was led by George Fitchett. The faculty team included Kate Piderman, Annelieke Damen, Beth Muehlhausen, Allison DeLaney, and Shelley Varner-Perez.



## Spiritual Care Management and Leadership Certificate

Twenty-four chaplain leaders participated in the 2023 Spiritual Care Management and Leadership Certificate program. It prepares current and future spiritual care managers to lead dynamic and effective spiritual care programs in a rapidly changing healthcare environment. Participants met virtually between January and September and attended the in-person Capstone Seminar at Rush University in Chicago (September 20-22). Each participant presented an Applied Learning Project (APL) they have conducted in their organizations with faculty mentorship. The next leadership certificate cohort will start in the fall of 2024. Special gratitude goes to the teaching team for creating an excellent learning experience: LaVera Crawley, Course Director, Andy Garman, George Fitchett, and Kristen Schenk.

*For a reflection from course director LaVera Crawley, see [this link](#).*



## Research Literacy Online Courses

### Research Literacy (RL) for Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE)

We developed a new online research literacy course designed for CPE students, which helps educators incorporate research literacy into their CPE residency programs. In FY23, 28 CPE students from six residency groups completed the RL for CPE course. The RL for CPE course instructors included Allison DeLaney, Dirk Labuschagne, and Csaba Szilagyi.

This introductory course aims to help participants articulate the value of research and evidence-based practice and develop basic skills to identify, evaluate, and apply relevant research for evidence-based spiritual care. Students also undertake “Evidence-Based Spiritual Care” applied learning projects to apply their learning to address a clinical question pertinent to their spiritual care practice. Flexible course design allows students to complete it in a 3- to 6-month timeframe, customized by their CPE educator to integrate with the overall CPE curriculum. One participant wrote about their learning experience, *“It was so user friendly and packed with so much helpful information. It dispelled any myths that research is inaccessible to chaplains.”*

## Research Literacy Online Courses

### Research Literacy (RL) 101 & 102

#### RL 101/102 Enrollment 3-Year Comparison

	RL 101 (5 weeks)			RL 102 (10 weeks)		
	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY21	FY22	FY23
Summer	25	17				
Fall	48	14	26	13	4	3
Winter	30	17	15			
Spring	17	19	8	16	10	6
Summer		24	7			
Total	120	91	56	29	14	9

Advancing a research-informed approach to spiritual care depends on chaplains developing research literacy. To support chaplain research literacy, we continued to offer our online research literacy courses: RL101, a five-week Introduction to Research Literacy, and RL 102, a 10-week Deeper Exploration for Chaplains. In FY23, 56 chaplains, including chaplains from Transforming Chaplaincy's partners, participated in RL 101, and 9 chaplains enrolled in RL 102. Course instructors included Beba Tata-Mbeng, Kim Palmer, and Allison DeLaney for RL1-2 and Paul Galchutt for RL101.

The main goal of these courses is to build research literacy skills: reading and applying research articles to the vital work chaplains do as front-line healthcare providers in religion and spirituality. The aims of these courses include enabling participants to articulate the rationale for chaplaincy as an evidence-based profession; identifying and accessing research literature related to spirituality, religion, and health; critically reading and evaluating current research pertaining to chaplaincy practice; and identifying ways of applying research to current practice. The RL102 course presents advanced content to help participants better understand research designs, methodologies, and applications. A participant commented about their experiences in the RL101 course: *"Well done and well led course. Appreciated very much the online organization, check-boxes to keep from getting lost, flow of content, especially for those with little exposure/experience with research."*

## Webinars, Webinar Journal Club, and YouTube

### Webinars

In FY23, Transforming Chaplaincy hosted 16 webinars. We had 2,844 people attend the webinars live (a site registered as attending might have several people listening), in addition to 5,440 YouTube views of webinar recordings. The webinars addressed diverse topics, including spirituality in serious illness, screening for spiritual needs, chaplaincy during the pandemic, perceived racial bias and potential impacts on spiritual care, patient-centered care and medical decision-making, the intersection of hospital finances and mission/spiritual care, strategic priorities for professional chaplaincy, relevance of religion and spirituality to mental health, religious and spiritual struggles among transgender and gender-nonconforming adults, chaplain case study research, and chaplain services in an out-patient primary care setting. A complete list of our FY22 webinars can be found in the Appendices.

### Webinar Journal Club

The series of five Webinar Journal Club sessions, hosted by the Association of Professional Chaplains (APC), is designed to help chaplains with no prior experience learn to read and understand research. It also introduces research-literate chaplains to important research that will inform their chaplaincy practice and their ability to advocate for its benefits. The theme for the calendar year 2022 was “Becoming More Evidence-Based in Your Chaplaincy Practice.” The 2023 theme was “Research Across the Chaplaincy Landscape.”

### YouTube

All the Transforming Chaplaincy webinars are available on our YouTube channel. In FY23, our 10 most viewed webinars had a total of over 6,447 views. The most viewed webinar was “What Can We Do When Prognosis Is Poor, the Patient Family’s Hope Is for a Miracle and the Treatment Teams Feels Stuck,” from August 2022. It had over 1,000 views in FY23. The 10<sup>th</sup> most viewed webinar was “Chaplain Documentation: A Review of Charting Spiritual Care: The Emerging Role of Chaplaincy Records in Global Health Care,” from January 2021, which had nearly 400 views in FY23.

## Communication

The Transforming Chaplaincy Network – our online network and course platform – has grown to 1,965 registered members. This online space, hosted on the Mighty Networks platform, is the home to our nine Research Networks and online courses.

Transforming Chaplaincy continues to extend its reach and breadth to spiritual care providers and partners/colleagues using various forms of communication and social media. The table below shows some of these figures. In FY23, the Transforming Chaplaincy Newsletter had over 2,200 subscribers. As shown in the table, many people are using our website, and we have a growing presence on social media.

	FY21	FY22	FY23
Newsletter subscribers	2,090	2,119	2,235
Website pageviews	45,892	48,690	51,345
Twitter impression/month	5,534	5,304	1,225
Twitter total impressions	–	63,645	14,701
Twitter followers	–	865	915
LinkedIn total impressions (content was first posted on 06/01/23; data for one month of June 2023)	–	–	1,642
LinkedIn followers (as of 6/30/23)	–	–	259

### Activating the Transforming Chaplaincy LinkedIn Page

In June 2023, we began developing TC's LinkedIn page to increase our social media presence and reach. The inactive LinkedIn page had 28 followers at the time. After bringing the page to life, followers increased to 259 in the first month by the end of FY23 (6/30/23), reaching more than 1,500 followers by the time of writing this report (Dec. 2023). The positive response has continued after generating 1,642 impressions in the first month.



## Appendix A: FY23 Publications

### Peer-Reviewed Publications:

Aita, S. L., Kondrath, S. R., Owen, T., Borgogna, N. C. & Usset, T. (2023). The status of evidence-based treatments for moral injury syndrome: Review and meta-analysis of randomized controlled trials. *Current Treatment Options in Psychiatry* 10, 217–233. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40501-023-00292-8>

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Chamberlin, E.S., Usset, T.J., Fantus, S. et al. (2023). Moral injury in healthcare: Adapting the Building Spiritual Strength (BSS) intervention to Health and Strength (HAS) for civilian and military healthcare workers. *Current Treatment Options in Psychiatry* 10, 234–247. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40501-023-00294-6>

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## Appendix A: FY23 Publications (continued)

### Peer-Reviewed Publications:

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Tartaglia, A., Corson, T., White, K.B., Charlescraft, A., Jackson-Jordan, E., Johnson, T., Fitchett, G. (2022). Chaplain staffing and scope of service: Benchmarking spiritual care departments. *Journal of Health Care Chaplaincy, 14*:1-18. doi: 10.1080/08854726.2022.2121579.

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### Book Chapter:

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## Appendix B: FY23 Webinars

*What Can We Do When Prognosis Is Poor, the Patient/Family's Hope Is for a Miracle, and the Treatment Team Feels Stuck? (August 30, 2022)*

Presenters: Leah Tenenbaum, Rhonda Cooper, & Sarah Byrne-Martelli

Hosts: Eric Widera & Paul Galchutt

Sponsors: Transforming Chaplaincy & Hospice-Palliative Spiritual Care Research Network

Attendance: 709 registered, 335 attended, 1,067 YouTube views

*"Spirituality in Serious Illness and Health": Becoming familiar with this important new systematic review from JAMA (August 31, 2022)*

Presenter: Tracy Balboni

Respondents: Tammie Quest & Antonina Olszewski

Host: George Fitchett

Sponsor: Transforming Chaplaincy

Attendance: 903 registered, 428 attended, 482 YouTube views

*On The Frontlines of the Pandemic: The Role of Chaplains in Moral Injury Care for Healthcare Workers (September 12, 2022)*

Presenter: Marci Weber

Respondent: Brandon Griffin

Host: Timothy Usset

Sponsors: Transforming Chaplaincy & PTSD, Moral Injury, & Spiritual Distress Research Network

Attendance: 333 registered, 151 attended, 275 YouTube views

*Perceived Racial Bias and Potential Impacts on Spiritual Care: Making a Case for Evidence-Based Practice (September 13, 2022)*

Hosts: Shelley Varner Perez, Cate Beaulieu-Desjardins, & Marilyn Barnes

Guests: Johanne Eliacin, Diana Burgess

Sponsors: APC & Webinar Journal Club

Attendance: 65 registered

*Describing the Goals of Chaplaincy (October 14, 2022)*

Presenters: Anja Visser-Nieraeth, Simon Lasair, & Pamela McCarroll

Hosts: Kathryn Lyndes & George Fitchett

Sponsor: Transforming Chaplaincy

Attendance: 474 registered, 210 attended, 440 YouTube views

## Appendix B: FY23 Webinars (continued)

### *Chaplains and Bereavement Support (October 25, 2022)*

Presenter: Beba Tata-Mbeng

Respondents: Sarah Byrne-Martelli & James Adams

Host: Paul Galchutt

Sponsors: Transforming Chaplaincy & Hospice-Palliative Spiritual Care Research Network

Attendance: 480 registered, 204 attended, 287 YouTube views

### *Screening for Spiritual Needs (October 28, 2022)*

Presenters: Jeffrey Pate, Thera Reynolds, & Duane Campbell

Hosts: Nina Redl & George Fitchett

Sponsors: Transforming Chaplaincy & Chaplaincy Functions Research Network

Attendance: 461 registered, 190 attended, 745 YouTube views

### *Betwixt and Between: The unique role of healthcare chaplains in promoting patient-centered care and medical decision making (November 9, 2022)*

Presenters: Robert Klitzman, Pam Lazor, & Doug Stewart

Hosts: Jeanne Wirpsa & Paul Galchutt

Sponsors: Transforming Chaplaincy & Chaplaincy Functions Research Network

Attendance: 304 registered, 112 attended, 241 YouTube views

### *Where Spiritual Care and Finance Meet: A panel discussion on the intersection of hospital finances and mission/spiritual care (November 14, 2022)*

Presenters: Marina Houghton, Ryan Swieringa, & Pam Lazor

Host: Ben Schaefer

Sponsors: Transforming Chaplaincy & Spiritual Care Management Research Network

Attendance: 193 registered, 68 attended, 155 YouTube views

### *Developing a Novel Intervention to Address COVID-related Communication Gaps: "This is My Story" as an Evidence-Based Practice (November 15, 2022)*

Hosts: Shelley Varner Perez, Cate Beaulieu-Desjardins, & Marilyn Barnes

Guests: Jason Wilson & Elizabeth Tracey

Sponsors: APC & Webinar Journal Club

Attendance: 65 registered

### *Best Practices in TeleSupervision (December 2, 2022)*

Presenters: Arpana Inman, Marcus McKinney, & Sarah Knoll-Sweeney

Host: David Fleenor

Sponsors: Transforming Chaplaincy & ACPE

## Appendix B: FY23 Webinars (continued)

*Spiritual Care for Nursing Home Residents with Dementia: Building a Chaplain's Musical Tool Kit (December 9, 2022)*

Presenter: Meganne Masko

Hosts: Sarah McEvoy & Kathryn Lyndes

Sponsors: Transforming Chaplaincy & Elder Care Spiritual Care Research Network

Attendance: 298 registered, 99 attended, 256 YouTube views

*Prioritizing Spiritual Care in Healthcare: A Moderated Conversation about the Strategic Priorities for Professional Chaplaincy (December 13, 2022)*

Presenters: Jay Foster, Mychal Springer, LaVera Crawley, & Imani Jones

Host: Geila Rajae

Sponsor: Transforming Chaplaincy

Attendance: 616 registered, 256 attended, 317 YouTube views

*Spiritual Care HCPCS Codes: Purpose, Progress, and Promise (December 16, 2022)*

Presenters: George Handzo, LaVera Crawley, Charles Valenti-Hein, & Antonina Olszewski

Host: George Fitchett

Sponsor: Transforming Chaplaincy

Attendance: 597 registered, 281 attended, 640 YouTube views

*Reflecting on the Role of Empathy in Effective Chaplaincy Care: Lessons from Dutch Humanist Chaplains (February 7, 2023)*

Hosts: Cate Beaulieu-Desjardins & Beth Muehlhausen

Guest: Christa Chappelle

Sponsors: APC & Webinar Journal Club

Attendance: 70 registered

*What is the Relevance of Religion and Spirituality to Mental Health? Perspectives of Mental Health Clients (April 18, 2023)*

Hosts: Cate Beaulieu-Desjardins & Beth Muehlhausen

Guest: Dr. Holly Oxhandler, LMSW

Sponsors: APC & Webinar Journal Club

Attendance: 123 registered

## Appendix B: FY23 Webinars (continued)

### *Chaplain Case Study Research: Building a Foundation for Geriatrics & Long-term Care (May 5, 2023)*

Presenter: Jeanne Wirpsa

Hosts: Sarah McEvoy & Kathryn Lyndes

Sponsors: Transforming Chaplaincy & Elder Care Spiritual Care Research Network

Attendance: 129 registered, 47 attended, 94 YouTube views

### *Embracing the Broken Souls of Patients Living with Life Threatening Illness (May 11, 2023)*

Presenter: Marvin Delgado-Guay

Respondents: Christina Puchalski & Edward Peñate

Host: Paul Galchutt

Sponsors: Transforming Chaplaincy & Hospice-Palliative Spiritual Care Research Network

Attendance: 286 registered, 119 attended, 142 YouTube views

### *Patient Religiosity and Desire for Chaplain Services in an Outpatient Primary Care Setting (May 17, 2023)*

Presenters: Katherine Henderson, John Oliver, & Patrick Hemming

Host: Petra Sprik

Sponsors: Transforming Chaplaincy & Outpatient Spiritual Care Research Network

Attendance: 249 registered, 96 attended, 66 YouTube views

### *Chaplaincy: Naming the Heart & Soul of Our Profession - Webinar 1: Chaplaincy, Professionalism and Labyrinthic Purposiveness: Part 1 (June 7, 2023)*

Presenter: Niels den Toom

Respondent: Anne Vandenhoeck

Host: George Fitchett

Sponsor: Transforming Chaplaincy

Attendance: 289 registered, 108 attended, 121 YouTube views

### *Religious and Spiritual Struggles Among Transgender and Gender-nonconforming Adults (June 13, 2023)*

Hosts: Cate Beaulieu-Desjardins & Beth Muehlhausen

Guest: Rev. Meredith Cox, MDiv, MA

Sponsors: APC & Webinar Journal Club

Attendance: 104 registered

## Appendix C: FY23 Research Network Reports

### Chaplaincy Functions Research Network

Conveners: Jeanne Wirpsa (through April 2023) and Nina Redl

Objective, Mission Statement, and/or Focus Area: To educate, network, and conduct research in the main areas of chaplains' functions, such as spiritual screening and assessment, ethics, staff support, documentation, etc.

Mighty Networks Membership: 212

Subgroups or Special Interest Groups within the Network: Ethics (chaplains' roles and contributions to clinical ethics and medical decision making); spiritual screening

### Network-Related Publications

Wirpsa MJ, Galchutt P, Price CS, Schaefer B, Szilagyi C, Palmer PK. Mandatory COVID-19 vaccination for healthcare workers: The experience of chaplains evaluating religious accommodation requests from coworkers. *Soc Sci Med.* 2023 Sep;332:116103. doi: 10.1016/j.socscimed.2023.116103. Epub 2023 Jul 20. PMID: 37506485.

### Network-Related Webinars

Faith Group Equivalency; Stacy Auld & Nina Redl; August 22, 2023; sponsored by APC

"Doctor, Will You Pray for Me?" Medicine, Chaplains, and Healing the Whole Person; Robert Klitzman, MD; November 9, 2022; sponsored by Transforming Chaplaincy

Religious Exemptions for COVID-19 Vaccine: A Survey of Healthcare Chaplains; network leaders together with Paul Galchutt; October 27, 2022; sponsored by Transforming Chaplaincy

### Other Network Activities

APC conference, June 2023: Faith Group Endorsement Mapping Study – Results Presentations (Nina Redl, Kristen Golden, George Fitchett)

Work with APC (and ACPE) on next steps in looking at Faith Group Endorsement (especially with the APC BCCI committee and the APC quality and research committee)

Research Project – Mandatory COVID-19 vaccination for healthcare workers: The experience

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### Chaplaincy Functions Research Network (continued)

Research Project – Mandatory COVID-19 vaccination for healthcare workers: The experience of chaplains evaluating religious accommodation requests from coworkers. *The purpose of this study is to explore the role of professional healthcare chaplains in evaluating employee requests for religious exemption/accommodation for the SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) vaccine, highlighting sources of meaning and causes of ethical, theological, or emotional distress.* (Jeanne Wirpsa – PI; Paul Galchutt, Carla Price, Benjamin Schaefer, Csaba Szilagyi, Kim Palmer – research team).

Charles Warren Fairbanks Center for Medical Ethics, Indiana University Health, February 2023 Conference Workshop: Religious Accommodation for the COVID-19 Vaccine: Personal Convictions vs. Public Safety (Jeanne Wirpsa)

Rhode Island Health System - Ethics Grand Rounds, April 18, 2023. Honoring Deeply Held (Religious) Beliefs -- Challenges & Opportunities in Medicine (Jeanne Wirpsa, invited presenter)

Research Project - The Role of the Healthcare Chaplain in Clinical Medical Ethics: A Baseline Description. *The purpose of this study is to gain insight into how healthcare chaplains contribute formally to the work of Clinical Medical Ethics in their organizations and their level of training/preparedness for that work. It will serve as a baseline to establish the degree of chaplain involvement in this area of care and to identify gaps in training/education in order to solicit funding for expanded research and/or make a case for special curricula development for chaplain ethicists.* (Jeanne Wirpsa - PI; Nina Redl, Karen Lieberman, Krys Springer - research team)

Medical College of Wisconsin, Bioethics Conference, June 2023: Healthcare Chaplains and Clinical Ethics – A Match made in Heaven? Report preliminary findings of research project on the formal role of chaplains in clinical medical ethics and their preparedness for that role. (Jeanne Wirpsa – invited presenter)

Research Project - Chaplain Documentation Survey (ongoing research project). *The purpose of this research study is to learn more about which non-chaplain members of the care team read Spiritual Care documentation in the electronic medical record and what content they find useful in that documentation.* (Karen Terry - PI; Csaba Szilagyi, Jeanne Wirpsa, Paul Galchutt - research team)



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### Chronic Illness/Disease Research Network

Convener: Geila Rajae and Charles Valenti-Hein

Objective, Mission Statement, and/or Focus Area: To engage thought-leaders, researchers, chaplains, and other collaborators to explore and participate in chaplaincy research in the area of chronic disease/illness.

Mighty Networks Membership: 105

### Network Activities

The emphasis of the CIDRN has been working on a research collaboration with the Medical College of Wisconsin exploring the potential of addressing issues of religious fatalism relating to patients with type 2 diabetes. Working with the research team of Dr. Leonard Egede, we submitted an NIH grant proposal for the spring 2023 grant cycle. While not funded, the proposal received positive comments, and we are currently preparing resubmission in the fall 2023 grant cycle. The project would engage resources from the Medical College of Wisconsin, Ascension Health, and Advocate Aurora to provide a spiritual care module for an existing outpatient diabetes management education program.

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### Elder Care Research Network

Conveners: Kathryn Lyndes & Sarah McEvoy

Objective, Mission Statement, and/or Focus Area: To integrate research into professional practice by building networks of researchers, chaplains, and other dedicated to research in elder care; to promote evidence-based spiritual care by serving as an education platform for chaplains working with elders; and to foster a culture of inquiry by developing partnerships with health systems, PALTC service companies, and other elder service agencies to build research capacity through networking and funding.

Mighty Networks Membership: 97

Subgroups or Special Interest Groups within the Network: Assessment (aim: to build two assessments that are geared toward older adults and older adults living with dementia); elder care case studies (aim: to respond to the lack of educational materials in older adult spiritual care by developing older adult case studies)

### Network-Related Webinars

Spiritual Care for Nursing Home Residents with Dementia: Building a Chaplain's Musical Toolbox; Meganne Masko; December 9, 2022; sponsored by Transforming Chaplaincy

### Other Network Activities

The International Conference on Spirituality and Ageing, Waterloo, Canada, June 2023 Conference Workshop: Mapping religious and spiritual care in long-term care: Preliminary findings (Kathryn Lyndes, Sarah McEvoy, & L. Arata)

Member meetings for exploring articles and evaluating evidence-based practices; networking to build this small and growing field of specialized healthcare chaplaincy; and gauging interest in research and research topics.

Research Project - Mapping Religious and Spiritual Care in Long-Term Care (ongoing study). *The study continues* with a modified methodology including a shortened online survey and virtual interview, with the aim of generating a higher participant response rate.

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### Hospice-Palliative Spiritual Care Research Network

Convener: Paul Galchutt

Objective, Mission Statement, and/or Focus Area: A hospice and palliative spiritual care research across multiple settings/contexts

Mighty Networks Membership: 1,018

Subgroups or Special Interest Groups within the Network: HPSCRN Steering Committee (meets three times a year to guide activity of network); bereavement coordination

### Network-Related Publications

Plotnikoff G, Duncan C, Galchutt P. (2022). Integrating spiritual assessment and care. In Rakel, D. & Minichiello, V.J. (Eds.), *Integrative medicine, 5<sup>th</sup> ed.* (915-920). Elsevier.

Desjardins CM, Muehlhausen BL, Galchutt P, Tata-Mbeng BS, Fitchett G. (2023). American health care chaplains' narrative experiences serving during the COVID-19 pandemic: a phenomenological hermeneutical study. *J Health Care Chaplain.* 2023 29(2): 229–44. doi: 10.1080/08854726.2022.2087964.

### Network-Related Webinars

What Can We Do When Prognosis Is Poor, the Patient/Family's Hope Is for a Miracle and the Treatment Team Feels Stuck?; Leah Tenenbaum, Rhonda Cooper, Sarah Byrne-Martelli, Dr. Eric Widera (respondent); August 30, 2022; sponsored by Transforming Chaplaincy

Chaplains and Bereavement Support; Beba Tata, Sarah Byrne-Martelli (respondent); October 25, 2022; sponsored by Transforming Chaplaincy

Embracing the Broken Souls of Patients Living with Life Threatening Illness; Dr. Marvin Delgado Guay, Dr. Christina Puchalski (respondent), Edward Peñate (respondent); May 11, 2023; sponsored by Transforming Chaplaincy

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### Hospice-Palliative Spiritual Care Research Network (continued)

#### Other Network Activities

- PhD in Palliative Care: Paul Galchutt began his online PhD in Palliative Care program Fall 2022 through the University of Maryland Baltimore
- ISPEC Faculty: Interprofessional Spiritual Care Education Curriculum with the George Washington University Institute of Spirituality and Health
- ACPE Research Committee: Member of the ACPE Research Committee
- Minnesota Department of Health Palliative Care Advisory Council: Care Coordinator #2 (Spiritual Counselor) began December 2022
- McGill International Palliative Care Congress Planning Committee: Planning committee began March 2023
- Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association Team Conference Planning Committee: Planning committee began March 2023
- Galchutt, P., Lazor, P., & Stewart, D. (Panelists) (11/2022). *Between and Betwixt: The Unique Role of Healthcare Chaplains in Promoting Patient-Centered Care and Medical Decision-Making* featuring Dr. Robert Klitzman (Webinar). *Transforming Chaplaincy*.
- Ferrell, B. & Galchutt, P. (10/2022). *Whose Role is it Anyway? Addressing the tension in Chaplain and Non-Chaplain Roles in Hospice and Palliative Care. (20-Minute Video Recording). Bringing NCP Domain 5 to Life Within Your Hospice and Palliative Care Practice. AAHPM Learn - American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine.*
- Galchutt, P. (4/2023). *Documenting Our Spiritual Care Encounter. What Kind of Chaplain Progress Note Do You Prefer? (Online Session). Twelfth Annual Collective Soul Symposium with MD Anderson Cancer Center.*
- Galchutt, P., Connolly, J., Andresco, A. et al. (3/2023). *What Kind of Chaplain Progress Note Do You Prefer? Four Focus Groups with Non-Chaplain Inpatient Palliative Care Team Members. American Association of Hospice and Palliative Medicine – Annual Assembly, Montreal, Quebec.*
- Galchutt, P. (2/2023). *Inspiring Evidence: Spiritual Care in Palliative Care Research. Wise and Wonderful Wednesday Nights with the University of Maryland Baltimore’s Palliative Care graduate program.*

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### Outpatient & Oncology Research Network

Conveners: Petra Sprik

Objective, Mission Statement, and/or Focus Area: to promote evidence-based spiritual care and the integration of spiritual care and chaplaincy research into professional practice in outpatient settings and to promote research literacy and research practice amongst chaplains serving in outpatient settings.

Mighty Networks Membership: 240

Subgroups or Special Interest Groups within the Network: outpatient oncology research network; outpatient primary care research network; telechaplaincy working group (affiliate group)

### Network-Related Webinars

Spiritual Care for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: An International Conference on the Theory and Practice of Telechaplaincy; October 19-20, 2022; hosted in association with University of Zurich

Patient Religiosity and Desire for Chaplain Services in an Outpatient Primary Care Setting; Katherine Henderson, John Oliver, and Patrick Hemming; May 17, 2023; sponsored by Transforming Chaplaincy

### Other Network Activities

Journal Club with Outpatient Oncology Research Network

Literature Review on outpatient chaplaincy interventions and their outcomes (in process)

Work with APC and ACPE on next steps in looking at Faith Group Endorsement (especially with the APC BCCI committee and the APC quality and research committee)

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### Pediatric Spiritual Care Research Network

Convener: Cate Bealieu-Desjardins

Objective, Mission Statement, and/or Focus Area: The Pediatric Chaplain Research Network seeks to engage chaplains, chaplain researchers, and interdisciplinary researchers with an interest in pediatric medicine and spiritual care towards advancing knowledge about and around pediatric chaplaincy. The network will be an incubator for novel research in pediatric spiritual care, as well as supporting existing projects through networking, collaboration, and opportunities for dissemination.

Mighty Networks Membership: 153

Subgroups or Special Interest Groups within the Network: Pediatric Spiritual Assessment; Spiritual Play; Case Studies in Pediatrics



### Network-Related Publications

Case Studies in Pediatric Chaplaincy, Pickwick, expected in 2024.

### Network-Related Webinars

Researching Service Utilization in Chaplaincy: Lessons from Pediatric Chronic Care; Dr. Tyler J. Benning and Dr. Jay Homme; April 17th, 2023

The Role of Religion and Spirituality in Caregiver Decision-Making about Tracheostomy for Children with Medical Complexity; Dr. Savithri Nagaswaran. June 8th, 2023.

### Other Network Activities

Identifying Needs and Opportunities Around Spiritual Assessment in Pediatrics: A Chaplain Expert Panel; co-funded research with Pediatric Chaplains Network (PCN); collaborators Amanda Borchik, Csaba Szilagyi; currently in progress.

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### Psychedelic Care Research Network

Conveners: Jamie Beachy (through late 2022), Stephen Lewis (starting late 2022), and Caroline Peacock

Objective, Mission Statement, and/or Focus Area: The Psychedelic Care Network convenes professional spiritual care professionals, researchers and educators engaged in or pursuing opportunities to begin psychedelic-assisted therapies. To support safe and ethical practices rooted in principles of justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion, we convene monthly to discuss current research and emerging best practices in psychedelic-assisted care, to contribute to this emerging field.

Mighty Networks Membership: 160

Subgroups or Special Interest Groups within the Network: research; education and training advocacy; social networking; competencies

### Network-Related Publications

Palitsky R, Kaplan DM, Peacock C, Zarrabi AJ, Maples-Keller JL, Grant GH, et al. Importance of Integrating Spiritual, Existential, Religious, and Theological Components in Psychedelic-Assisted Therapies. *JAMA Psychiatry*. 2023;80(7):743-9.

### Network Activities

APC conference, June 2023: Psychedelic Chaplaincy (Steve Lewis)

MAPS Psychedelic Science Conference, June 2023: Spiritual, Existential, Religious and Theological Concerns in Psychedelic Assisted Therapy (George Grant, Jamie Beachy, Moana Meadows, et al.)

NAJC conference, June 2023: Psychedelic Chaplaincy (Candi Wuhrman and Zac Kamenetz)

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### PTSD, Moral Injury, & Spiritual Distress Network

Convener(s): Timothy Usset

Mighty Networks Membership: 210

#### Network-Related Publications

- Aita, S. L., Kondrath, S. R., Owen, T., Borgogna, N. C. & Usset, T. (2023). The status of evidence-based treatments for moral injury syndrome: Review and meta-analysis of randomized controlled trials. *Current Treatment Options in Psychiatry*.
- Chamberlin, E.S., Usset, T. J., Fantus, S., Kondrath, S.R., Butler, M., Weber, M. C., & Wilson, M. A. (2023). Moral injury in healthcare: Adapting the Building Spiritual Strength (BSS) intervention to Health and Strength (HAS) for civilian and Military healthcare workers. *Current Treatment Options in Psychiatry*.
- Collette, C., Willhelm, G., Del Bene, V. A., Aita, S. L., Marotta, D., Myers, T., Anderson, J., Gammon, M., Gerstenecker, A., Nabors, L. B., Fiveash, J., & Triebel, K. L. (accepted). Cognitive dysfunction in non-CNS metastatic cancer: Comparing brain metastasis, non-CNS metastasis, and healthy controls. *Cancer Investigation*.
- Ehman, A. C., Smith, A. J., Wright, H., Langenecker, S. A., Benight, C. C., Maguen, S., Harris, J.I.... & Griffin, B. J. (2023). Exposure to potentially morally injurious events and mental health outcomes among frontline workers affected by the coronavirus pandemic. *Psychological Trauma: Theory, Research, Practice, and Policy, 15*(3), 524.
- Griffin, B. J., Weber, M. C., Hinkson, K. H., Purcell, N., Pyne, J. M., Smith, A. J., Usset, T. J., Cucciare, M. A., Khan, A., & Maguen, S. (2023). Toward a Dimensional Contextual Model of Moral Injury: A Scoping Review on Healthcare Workers. *Current Treatment Options in Psychiatry 10*. Special Issue: "Moral Injury."
- Harris, J.I. & Klee, A. (2023) Who owns spiritual care and why does it matter? *Psychological Services*
- Kelly, M. M., Reilly, E. D., Claudio, T., Harris, J. I., Jooma, S., Karpel, M., ... & Whittaker, V. A. (2023). Addressing female trainee experiences of sexual harassment and discrimination in a veterans affairs mental health service. *Training and Education in Professional Psychology, 17*(3), 314.
- Pyne, J. M., Currier, J., Hinkson, K. D., Usset, T. J., Abeita, L. A., Dordal, P., Kouser, T., Awaad, R., Weber, M. C., & Griffin, B. G. (in press). Addressing religious and spiritual diversity in moral injury care: Five perspectives. *Current Treatment Options in Psychiatry*. Special Issue: "Moral Injury."



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### PTSD, Moral Injury, & Spiritual Distress Network (continued)

Slaughter-Acey J, Behrens K, Claussen AM, Usset T, Neerland C, Bilal-Roby S, Bashir H, Westby A, Wagner B, McAlpine D, Dixon, M, Xiao M, Butler M. Social and Structural Determinants of Health Risk Factors for Maternal Morbidity and Mortality: An Evidence Map. Comparative Effectiveness Review No. XX. (Prepared by the Minnesota Evidence-based Practice Center under Contract No. 75Q80120D00008.) AHRQ Publication No. XX. Rockville, MD: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality; Date. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.32970/AHRQEPCCER260>.

Usset, T., & Fantus, S. (2023). Moral Distress Is a Systemic Problem Requiring Organizational Solutions. *The American Journal of Bioethics*, 23(4), 84-86.

Usset, T.J., Stratton, R.G., Knapp, S., Schwartzman, G., Yadav, S.K., Schaefer, B.J., Harris, J.I., Fitchett, G. (in press) Factors associated with healthcare clinician stress and resilience: A scoping review. *Journal of Healthcare Management*

Van Denend, J., Harris, J.I., Fuehrlein, B., Edens, E. Moral Injury in the Context of Substance Use Disorders: a Narrative Review. *Curr Treat Options Psych* (2022). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40501-022-00280-4>

Weber, M. C., Smith, A. J., Jones, R. T., Holmes, G. A., Johnson, A. L., Patrick, R., Alexander, M. D., Miyazaki, Y., Wright, H. M., Ehman, A. C., Langenecker, S., Benight, C., Pyne, J. M., Harris, I. J., Usset, T. J., Maguen, S., & Griffin, B. J. (2023). Moral injury and psychosocial functioning in healthcare workers during the COVID-19 pandemic. *Psychological Services*. Special issue: "Spiritually integrated care."

Wilson, M., Simmons, A., Harris, J, Thomas, S., Shay, A., Usset, T., Cook, W, Bevington, D., Hurley, A., & Epstein, E. (2022). Adaptation and Testing of a Military Version of the Measure of Moral Distress for Healthcare Professionals. *American Journal of Critical Care*, 31 (5):392-401. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4037/ajcc2022177>.

### Other Network Activities

Dr. J. Irene Harris's article, "Chaplains' Perspectives on Standardizing Spiritual Assessments" has been chosen as the December 2022 ACPE Research Article-of-the-Month and is featured at <http://www.acperesearch.net/dec22.html>.

Timothy Usset was awarded a 2023 Tillman Scholarship.

Timothy Usset was nominated to serve on the ACPE Research Committee.

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### PTSD, Moral Injury, & Spiritual Distress Network (continued)

Research project - PI's: Jeffrey Pyne, **J. Irene Harris**, Co-I's: Tasha Nienow, Laura Meis, Elizabeth Hammons, Ellen Teng, **Susannah Kondrath**, **Stephen Aita**, Brandon Griffin, Consultants: Shira Maguen, Eric Hermes, Sheila Frankfurt. *Implementation of Innovative Treatment for Moral Injury Syndrome: A Hybrid Type 2 Study*: \$1.2 million.

Research project - PI: Andrew Smith, **Co-I: Timothy Usset**, **Consultant J. Irene Harris**. Levy Healthcare Incubator **Title**: Mitigating Moral Injury via Healing Social Networks. \$250,000

Research project - **Usset/Kondrath/Harris**: Reanalysis of the National Survey of Religious Leaders, National Survey of Religious Leaders, Duke University, \$2000

Research project - Matt Cassady (Project Manager, National Chaplain Service) **Usset, Kondrath, Harris**, project staff, Rural Community Clergy Training Program (RCCTP), \$298,000

Research project - PI: COL Angela Simmons, Co-I's: Melissa Wilson, **J. Irene Harris**, **Timothy Usset**, Amy Shay. *Building Spiritual Strength: Randomized Controlled Trial of Spiritually Integrated Treatment for Moral Injury and Moral Distress in Military Healthcare Providers*: \$450,000, TriService Nursing Research Program

Research Project - Co-PI's: Mary Butler and Viann Nguyen-Feng, Co-I's: Tai Mendenhall, Timothy Wilt, Marizen Ramirez, **Timothy Usset**. *Trauma Informed Care Small Systematic Review*, \$250,000, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Grant submission - Joint Incentive Fund: Moral Injury Resource and Treatment Center Collaboration. \$3,909,341. **J. I. Harris**, **S. Kondrath**, **T. Usset**, T. Pickett, C. Rhodes, A. Brown.

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### Spiritual Care Management Network

Convener: Benjamin Schaefer

Objective, Mission Statement, and/or Focus Area: to promote connection among spiritual care leaders and best practices for spiritual care leaders to implement through research and collaboration.

Mighty Networks Membership: 189

### Network-Related Publications

Wirpsa MJ, Galchutt P, Price CS, Schaefer B, Szilagyi C, Palmer PK. Mandatory COVID-19 vaccination for healthcare workers: The experience of chaplains evaluating religious accommodation requests from coworkers. *Soc Sci Med.* 2023 Sep;332:116103. doi: 10.1016/j.socscimed.2023.116103. Epub 2023 Jul 20. PMID: 37506485.

### Other Network Activities

Manager roundtable meeting provide opportunities for leaders to discuss best practices and engage in peer support around spiritual care leadership.

Ongoing research moving toward publication includes scoping reviews being written by Timothy Usset, Sarah Knapp, Benjamin Schaefer, R. Greg Stratton, Sunil Yadav, and George Fitchett. The first paper focuses on factors associated with distress and resilience for healthcare workers. The second paper reviews chaplain interventions related to distress and resilience for healthcare workers.

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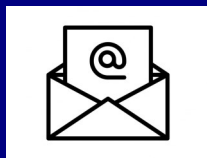
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