

**Calgary Zone Department of Emergency Medicine
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Eddy Lang

Thanks for an insightful talk. How would you see the role of the primary care physician and the medical home in arranging / ensuring palliative care,
live answered

Thanks and god bless the Green Sleeve....

jennifer hughes

Great talk Emily. My dream would be to have a palliative care consultant embedded in our EDs in Calgary. We currently operate with a basic consultation model. Just wanted to point out that there is a difference between the hospice system in the US and hospice in Canada.
live answered

Hospice in Canada is a physical place to live with a life limiting illness with a prognosis of less than 3 months and a PPS of 30%. Differs from the hospice program in the US.
live answered

Can you clarify PPS?
Palliative Performance Scale. It's like ECOG.
live answered

Katie Lin

Thanks for the great talk! Do you have any suggestions/strategies for approaching conversations with families where cultural perspectives re: palliative care can be challenging? I often get the sense that there is a deep sense of cultural guilt that makes it difficult to consider palliative options even in extreme cases and I wonder if there is anything we as ED providers can do to make it more approachable for these families.

live answered
