

# *Statewide Hospice & Palliative Care Summit*

**Improving Serious Illness Care in Connecticut  
for the Underserved**



CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION FOR  
**HEALTHCARE AT HOME**

*A Tribute to Florence Wald*

**May 19, 2022**

**Aqua Turf Club, 556 Mulberry St., Plantsville, CT 06479**

*This Continuing Nursing Education Activity is being applied for to the Connecticut Nurses' Association,  
An Accredited Approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation*

*This program is being applied for Continuing Education Credit Hours by the National Association of Social Workers, CT and will meet the continuing  
education criteria for CT Social Work Licensure renewal. Approval will also meet the continuing education criteria for CT LMFTs, LPCs, and licensed psychologists.*

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## Overview

### Calling all Palliative and Hospice Care Providers!

Don't miss our annual Statewide Hospice and Palliative Care Summit. Hear national and regional expert perspectives for "Improving Serious Illness Care in Connecticut." This year's focus will be on the underserved population, especially people of color.

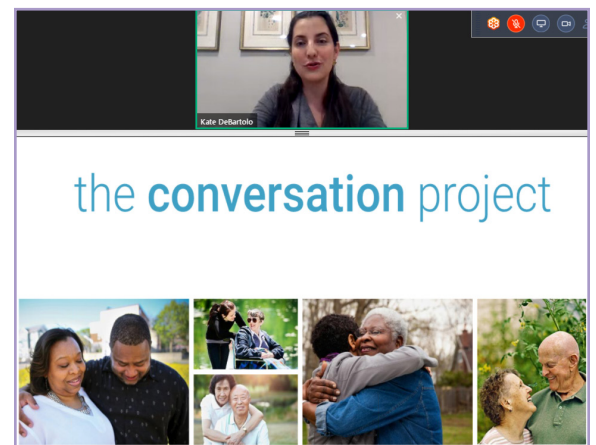
## Who Should Attend

**This program will benefit providers in all aspects of serious illness, especially palliative and hospice care providers.** We invite your entire Interdisciplinary Team: Physicians, Nurses, Therapists, Social Workers, Spiritual Counselors, Bereavement Coordinators, Hospice Aides, Volunteers & Program Directors from across the provider continuum (hospitals, nursing homes, chronic illness providers, assisted living, home health and hospice).

## Continuing Education Units Pending

Applications for 5 Continuing Education Unit Hours have been submitted for Nurses.

Applications for 5 Continuing Education Unit Hours have been submitted for Social Workers.



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## Program Schedule

<b>8:15 AM</b>	Registration, Exhibition & Continental Breakfast
<b>8:45 AM</b>	Welcome & Opening Remarks - Tracy Wodatch
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Morning Keynote - Ronit Elk, PhD., FAAHPM   Professor
<b>10:15 AM</b>	Tea Cup Auction & Exhibitor Visit
<b>10:45 AM</b>	Keynote - Ariadne Labs - Joanna Paladino & Amanda Murphy
<b>11:45 AM</b>	Lunch, Florence Wald Award & Tea Cup Auction
<b>12:30 PM</b>	Afternoon Breakouts - Judi Lund Person, NHPCO - Nathalie Bonafe, End-of-Life Doula
<b>1:30 PM</b>	Mid-Afternoon Break
<b>1:45 PM</b>	Provider Panel
<b>2:45 PM</b>	Closing Keynote - Marisette Hasan, President / CEO, The Carolinas Center
<b>3:45 PM</b>	Closing Remarks & Evaluations - Tracy Wodatch

*Join Us May 19, 2022*

*Featuring national  
and regional experts.*

*Let's reflect and connect!*





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## MORNING KEYNOTE

### The Importance of Recognizing and Respecting Culture and Lived Experience of Racism in Caring for African American Patients at End of Life

**Ronit Elk, PhD., FAAHPM** | Professor Division of Geriatrics, Gerontology, and Palliative Care Associate Director, Center for Palliative and Supportive Care Associate Director, Southeast Institute for Innovation  
in Palliative and Supportive Care

In providing care to our African American patients, we must recognize and respect the cultural values of this group, values that may differ from what we know and act upon. We also need to understand and recognize the terrible effect that racism has had on the lives of all African Americans. By partnering with African American communities, listening to and really hearing what they tell us, and by developing programs that are culturally concordant with the communities' values and that take into consideration the community's lived experience, we can provide the hospice care that is valuable to the community.



## KEYNOTE

### Driving Equity in Serious Illness Care: Centering High Quality Communication and Relationships

An Ariadne Labs Initiative



**Joanna Paladino,**  
MD, Associate Director of Research  
and Implementation, Serious  
Illness Care Program

High quality communication that strengthens relationships and centers patients' values and priorities in their care is a powerful intervention in the lives of individuals affected by serious illness. Clinicians who engage patients and families in these emotionally supportive conversations can promote safety, trustworthiness, partnership, and empowerment. However, persons of color living with serious illness face significant inequities in access to high-quality communication. Few clinicians are trained in serious illness communication, and aspects of healthcare 'culture' mean that patients frequently receive care devoid of these relationship-centered elements. Join us for an interactive discussion about co-creating, testing, and scaling culturally adapted communication tools, clinician training, and systems-changes through partnerships with organizations, communities, and individuals engaged in serious illness care transformation.



**Amanda Murphy,**  
RN, Clinical Implementation  
Specialist, Serious Illness  
Care Program



## BREAKOUT SESSION



### The View from Washington

**Judi Lund Person, BA, MPH, CHC**  
*Vice President, Regulatory and Compliance*  
*National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization (NHPCO)*

2022 is bringing many changes and challenges for hospice and palliative care providers. What are policymakers using to make recommendations about hospice going forward? What about changes in the survey process? When will enforcement remedies be implemented and how will they work? What new quality measure will be proposed? What reports will the Office of Inspector General issue that present challenging findings for hospice care? Is this the year where we will see the beginnings of a palliative care benefit? Will we see growth in the number of patients with serious illness get the care they need and deserve? This session will have up to the minute content, data points and a proposed hospice rule.



### Unriddling the Role of the End-Of-Life Doula: Science or Art?

**Nathalie Bonafe, End-of-Life Doula**

Former biomedical research scientist, now End-of-Life Doula, Dr. Nathalie Bonafé will share how the supportive role of a doula can benefit patients, families and agencies alike; promote early referrals to home health, palliative care and hospice as well as enhance the quality of care, employee morale, and improve ratings in national health care surveys. Nathalie is a member of the National End-Of-Life Doula Alliance (NEDA) and of the NHPCO End-of-Life Council Covid19 Grief Doula support group.

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## PROVIDER PANEL

### Early Conversations Lead to Optimal Informed Choices



**Amisha Parekh de Campos**  
*PhD, MPH, RN, CHPN, Middlesex*  
*Health Care at Home*

Conversations about palliative and hospice care are difficult for providers and clinicians. Extensive studies have shown that barriers include a lack of comfort, time, and experience. Hear from two prominent Connecticut palliative and hospice providers as they describe the training programs and focused strategies implemented with their staff to enhance both their knowledge and comfort in having goals of care conversations early and often. Equity and inclusion efforts will also be discussed.



**Ross Albert**  
*MD PhD, Hartford Healthcare*  
*at Home*



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## CLOSING KEYNOTE

### Sharpening Our Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) Tools to Increase Access To Care

**Marisette Hasan, President / CEO, The Carolinas Center**

The Public Health Emergency has underscored the huge disparity gaps that exist in our medically compromised patients who live in black and brown communities. In addition, CMS is now taking a deep dive into evaluating the impact of social determinants of health that could serve as barriers to patients receiving care during the serious illness care continuum. Join us for this interactive session as we take a deep dive into the current landscape and discuss practical strategies to increase access to care through prioritization of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) efforts internally as well as in the communities we serve.

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## Registration Form

### Registration Fees

\$150 members

\$250 non-members

\$90 Full-time Students,

Volunteers and Hospice Aides

10% off for 6 or more registrations

5% off 3 or more registrations

### Registration Deadline

May 5, 2022. A \$30 late fee

will be charged per person for each registration received after the deadline.

### Payment/Cancellation Policy

Payment must be made in advance of this program.

Payment can be made by cash, check, or credit card. Cancellations made on or after May 5th, or 'no shows' will forfeit the registration fee. Cancellations must be received in writing via e-mail.

### Please return completed form to:

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Meal Choice: ☐ Chicken ☐ Fish ☐ Beef ☐ Vegetarian

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**\*Please advise if you have a dietary restriction.**

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*The Statewide Hospice & Palliative Care Summit is committed to providing a safe and welcoming venue for all attendees. Masking and social distancing will be optional, but Statewide Hospice & Palliative Care Summit organizers reserve the right to make policy changes as appropriate. We will monitor public health guidance as well as abide by state, local, and conference facility rules. Attendees will be notified accordingly.*

