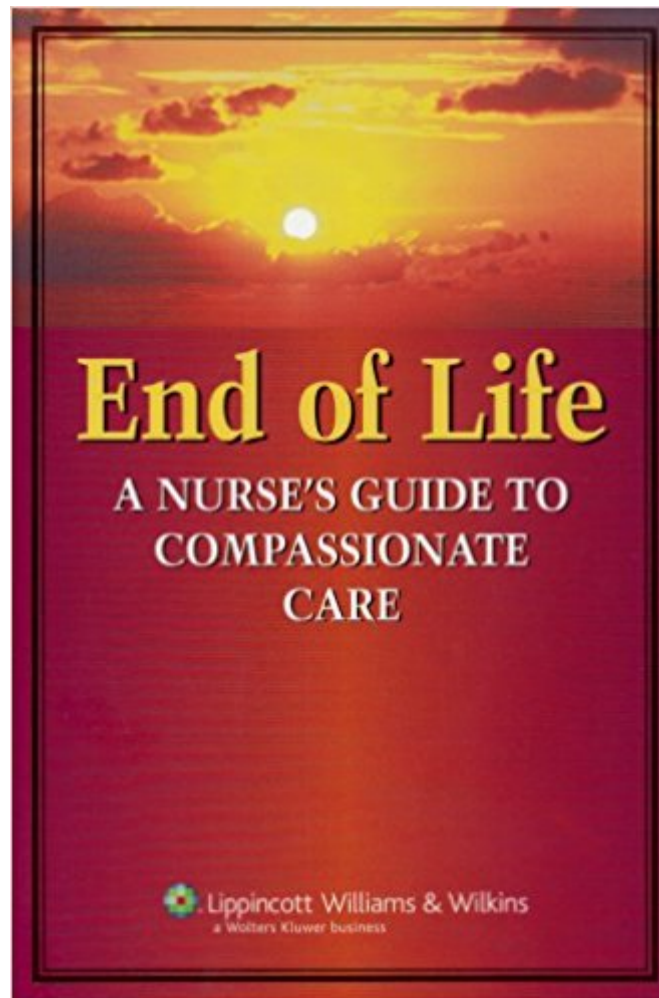




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End Of Life: A Nurse's Guide To Compassionate Care



Synopsis

This sensitively written book offers a wealth of insight and practical advice for nurses in every specialty and setting providing end-of-life care. Nurses will learn how to address patients' spiritual concerns, ensure that physical needs are met, help patients maintain their dignity, and provide emotional support to grieving families. Nurses will also learn how to cope with their own feelings about dying and end-of-life care. Coverage includes stages of dying, nursing interventions for palliative care, pain control, alternative therapies, physical and psychological signs of grieving, and more. Vignette insights from the well-known end-of-life specialist Joy Ufema offer advice on giving compassionate care.

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The book offers a good introduction to the principles and basics of palliative care, detailing the physiological and psychological antecedents to which each type of intervention is tied. Drug therapy is covered in detail, as well as the active dying process and a number of the most common conditions that might cause a patient to wind up in hospice. I thought the coverage of pediatric patients was a bit skimpy, but perhaps the authors expected you to rely more upon developmental communication skills and treatment strategies learned elsewhere. If you're already an RN, it shouldn't be too dense of a read, although you'll probably need to review some sections multiple times to commit everything to memory. I might even recommend it to a layperson caregiver or relative of a patient with a terminal illness who wants to better understand the process and reasons

for the treatments and behaviour of healthcare personnel. It also works well as the main reading selection for an introductory palliative care curriculum.

Excellent text with great examples and very easy to read!

I got this book for a continuing education module. It certainly meet my objectives.

A standard book for all those who work in the hospice field. I actually carry it with me on the job. Not as up to date as I would like, however, the principles and general practices remain valuable.

Good

Excellent stories to illustrate concepts, one to keep on hand for technical/professional guidelines. The most used on my reference shelf. Preferred over Zerwekh's comparable book.

Good book.

Yes.

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