

Palliative Care Referring Clinician Survey

The Palliative Care Consultation Service is conducting a survey to better understand how we can meet the needs of patients, families and physicians.

Based on your past referrals for Palliative Care Consultations:

1 = Never 2 = Rarely 3 = Sometimes 4 = Usually 5 = Always

- I receive the help I am seeking when I ask for a consultation
- I maintain the degree of control I want over medical decisions and patient care
- The Palliative Care team keeps me informed in a timely manner
- My patients are satisfied with the help Palliative Care provides
- The families of my patients are satisfied with the help Palliative Care provides
- Physical and psychological symptoms are generally well managed by the Palliative Care team.
- Discharge/disposition arrangements are generally well managed by the Palliative Care team.

Based on your past referrals for Palliative Care Consultations, please check those items below which lead you to seek consultation: (place "X" next to all that apply)

- Pain and other physical symptoms in patients near death
 - Pain and other physical symptoms in any patient with a serious illness
 - Psychosocial problems in patients near death
 - Psychosocial problems in any patient with a serious illness
 - Conflicts between patients-family-physicians regarding appropriate level of care
 - Conflicts regarding DNR orders
 - Help with prognostication
 - Advance care planning (completion of Power of Attorney or Living Will)
 - Help with discharge planning
 - I seek consultation when I am convinced that there are there are no further life-prolonging treatments
- Other:

I feel that Palliative Care Consultations would be more useful to me if ... (place "X" next to all that apply)

- Standard referral criteria are developed that I can use as a guide for when to call in the Palliative Care team.
- A member of the Palliative Care team meets every few days with myself or my team to review patients who might be appropriate referrals.
- A system is developed whereby there is an automatic consultation if certain criteria are met (e.g. metastatic cancer and moderate to severe pain).
- I can have the opportunity to participate in a faculty development course where I can increase my knowledge and skills in palliative care.

Other Comments:

Thank You