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Palliative Care Chat Podcast

Listen to program director Dr. Mary Lynn McPherson interview various individuals in the healthcare industry as well as current faculty and students in the online Master of Science and Graduate Certificates Program in Palliative Care.

The most recent podcast features an interview with Arlen Grad Gaines, MSW, who is a licensed clinical social worker with an advanced certification in hospice and palliative social work and Meredith Englander Polsky, founder of Matan, Inc.; co-authors of the book, I Have a
Question about Death. A Book for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder or Other Special Needs. This is a very special book - every hospice and palliative care program needs to own this resource!

Brag Book

We always say we have the MOST amazing faculty and students in the universe - and we’re not whistling Jingle Bells!

The American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine just announced their new list of Visionaries and Fellows in the Academy.

When AAHPM reached their 25th anniversary milestone in 2013, the visionaries project was created to recognize individuals who have made exemplary contributions to the field of hospice and palliative medicine. Thirty individuals were named, and ONE of them was Patrick J. Coyne, MSN, ACNS-BC, ACHPN, FAAN, FPCN (PALC 601, 615). Thirty additional individuals were selected as Visionaries for the Academy’s 30th anniversary, and will be awarded in March 2018 at the Annual Assembly. Joining the list among our faculty are:

- Connie Dahlin, ANP-BC, ACHPN®, FPCN, FAAN (PALC 601)
- Mary Lynn McPherson, PharmD, MA, MDE, BCPS (PALC 601, 602, 605, 607, 612, 615, 617)
- Tammie Quest, MD (PALC 607)

Every year AAHPM awards selected individuals Fellowship status in the organization. Here’s a list of faculty in our program who were previously awarded Fellow status:

- Shaida Talebreza Brandon, MD, FAAHPM (PALC 611)
- Marcia Levetown, MD, FAAHPM (PALC 613)
- John S. Morris, MD, FAAHPM (PALC 612)
- Martha L. Twaddle, MD, FACP, FAAHPM (PALC 612)
- Vincent Jay Vanston, MD, HMDC, FAAHPM (PALC 605)

Several more faculty members were recently awarded Fellowship status, and will receive their award in March 2018 at the Annual Assembly meeting. These include:

- Paul DeSandre, DO (PALC 607)
- Joanne Kuntz, MD (PALC 607)
- Tammie Quest, MD (PALC 607)

Huge, huge congratulations to the awardees from AAHPM. Simply stupendous! Let’s see what other mischief our students and faculty have been up to:

Delia Chiaramonte, MD (PALC 606)

Quoted: From the *Washington Business Journal* - "What to do about the opioid crisis? Area hospitals are looking to alternative medicine." Nov 2017. Click [here](#) to read the full article.

**Joanne Kuntz, MD** (PALC 607)
- 2017 Annual Meeting for the National Association of Medical Examiners (NAME) - "I didn’t choose the field because I enjoy talking to families: Best Practices for Communicating with Next of Kin."

**Kasey Malotte, PharmD, BCPS** (PALC 611)
- 2017 ACCP Annual Meeting: Cardiology PRN Focus Session - "Practical Approaches to Heart Failure Management Across the Continuum of Care," and "The “Other” Transition: Pharmacists’ Role in Palliative Care for End-Stage Heart Failure.
- 2017 CSHP Annual Seminar: "What is a Pharmacist Doing on the Palliative Care Team? Tertiary and Community Hospital Experiences."

**Mary Lynn McPherson, PharmD, MA, MDE, BCPS** (PALC 601, 602, 605, 607, 612, 615, 617)
- Presentation: *McPherson ML*. "Is there a palliative care specialist in the house? Helping patients meet their goals of care." Anne Arundel Medical Center Medical Grand Rounds, Annapolis, MD, October 2017.
- Publication: *McPherson ML*. "Pharmacists can help right the ship in the opioid crisis." *Pharmacy Today* 2017;43. Click [here](#) to read the full article.

**Martha Twaddle, MD, FACP, FAAHPM** (PALC 612)

**Turner West, MPH, MTS** (PALC 610)

**Millie Whyte** (Class of 2019)

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