Real Talk one day masterclass communication skills for doctors: “engaging in end of life talk in clinical practice”

Monday 2nd March 09.30 – 16.30
Hospice UK, Hospice House, 34 –44 Britannia Street, London WC1X 9JG

Tuesday 3rd March 09.30 – 16.30
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A collaboration event with Loughborough University, NIHR, Hospice UK, Derbyshire Alliance for End of Life Care, University of Derby

Cost £75.00 This course has been approved by the Federation of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of the United Kingdom (RCP) for 6 category 1 (external) CPD credits. Now also open to applicants who teach clinicians.


The masterclass will be co-facilitated by a palliative medicine consultant and an experienced communication skills clinician and educator. The masterclass will provide a safe and stimulating learning environment, enabling time to reflect on developing core competencies around engaging patients in end of life talk. Particularly relevant for doctors who currently, or want to deliver, communication skills training as the Real Talk resource www.realtalktraining.co.uk is available free of charge when delivering training to health and social care practitioners in the UK. Initial pilot studies show Real Talk has facilitated increasing confidence in initiating end of life talk in a range of clinical settings.

Learning outcomes for the day:

• Introduce Conversation Analysis as a way to understand how practitioners engage in communication processes in reference to end of life talk, linking evidence into practice;

• Illustrate some ways practitioners, patients and relatives engage in end of life talk and respond to difficult questions;

• Give you a chance to develop insights, knowledge and confidence in exploring open and honest conversations about future prospects and uncertainty with dying patients;

• Explore the use of Real Talk communications skills interventions for yourselves within your training opportunities in the future, based upon the growing evidence base from real consultations.

Enquiries to the Real Talk team realtalk@lboro.ac.uk

Online Application: https://store.lboro.ac.uk/short-courses/communication-and-media/masterclasses