



2025  
HOSPICE AND  
PALLIATIVE  
CARE  
CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 22-23  
BENTON EVENT CENTER



**Perspectives  
in the Care  
Experience**

## Monday, September 22, 2025

8:00am - 8:50am	Registration / Trade Show opens
8:50am - 9:00am	Welcome
9:00am - 10:30am	Opening Keynote: Dr. Christopher Kerr <b>Validating Dreams and Visions of the Dying</b>
10:30am - 10:45am	BREAK / Trade Show open
10:45am - 11:45am	Breakout Session 1A: Amy Langston <b>The Five Behaviors of a Dysfunctional Team - Building Resilient Teams in Hospice &amp; Palliative Care</b>  Breakout Session 1B: Caren Martin, PharmD. <b>Antibiotics in Hospice - To Treat or Not To Treat</b>  Breakout Session 1C: Andrew Ghrayeb, MA, MT-BC, NMT <b>The Use of Music Therapy in Hospice &amp; Palliative Care</b>
11:45am - Noon	BREAK / Trade Show open
Noon - 12:30pm	<b>Heart Awards Ceremony</b>
12:30pm - 1:30pm	LUNCH / Trade Show open
1:30pm - 2:30pm	Breakout Session 2A: Amy Langston <b>Service Leadership - Leading with Accountability in Times of Compassion Fatigue</b>  Breakout Session 2B: Caren Martin, PharmD. <b>Buprenorphine Basics</b>  Breakout Session 2C: Carrie Calhoon, LCSW <b>Navigating Thoughts of Death and Attempted / Complete Suicide in Serious Illness</b>
2:30pm - 3:00pm	BREAK / Trade Show open
3:00pm - 4:30pm	General Session: Sasha Brown, LCSW <b>Recognizing and De-escalating Aggressive Behavior</b>
4:30pm - 5:00pm	Trade Show open

## Tuesday, September 23, 2025

8:00am - 8:50am	Registration / Trade Show opens
8:50am - 9:00am	Welcome
9:00am - 10:30am	General Session: Greg Adams, LCSW, ACSW, FT <b>So, What's the Story? Storytelling in the Lives of Patients, Families, and Us</b>
10:30am - 10:45am	BREAK / Trade Show open
10:45am - 11:45am	Breakout Session 3A: Shelley Henry, RN <b>Building Professional Sustainability for Yourself and Your Team When Demand Exceeds Capacity</b> Breakout Session 3B: Brandy Fox, PhD. <b>Ethical Considerations Regarding Sexuality in Persons with Dementia</b>
11:45am - 12:45pm	LUNCH / Trade Show open
12:45pm - 1:45pm	Breakout Session 4A: Shelley Henry, RN <b>Providing Quality Care in the Context of Productivity Pressures</b> Breakout Session 4B: Dr. Chris Bierman <b>De-prescribing at the End of Life</b>
1:45pm - 2:00pm	BREAK / Trade Show open
2:00pm - 3:00pm	General Session: Palliative Care Panel Discussion
3:00pm - 3:30pm	BREAK / Trade Show open
3:30pm - 4:30pm	Closing Session: Jodie McGinley, LFD, EOLD, CT <b>All About Elijah: The Transformative Power of Compassionate Care</b>