

Welcome to CHA's Webinar Catholic Eldercare:

Dec. 9, 2010 | Noon – 1:30 p.m. ET

The webinar will start shortly. Thank you for joining us. ATHOLIC ELDERCARE A Life-Giving Experience



Reflection for Today's Event

Blessing for Old Age May the light of your soul mind you, may all of your worry and anxiousness about becoming old be transfigured, may you be given wisdom for the eye of your soul, to see this beautiful time of harvesting. May you have the commitment to harvest your life, To heal what has hurt you, to allow it to come closer to you And become one with you. May you have great dignity, may you have a sense of how free you are, And above all may you be the giver the wonderful gift Of meeting the eternal light and beauty that is within you. May you be blessed, may you find a wonderful love in your self for your self.

John O'Donohue Anam Cara

Catholic Eldercare: A Life-Giving Experience



Your Presenter for Today's Program

Ann Neale, Ph.D.

Dr. Neale retired in 2009 from her position as a senior research scholar at the Center for Clinical Bioethics at Georgetown University Medical Center in Washington, D.C. While there, she pursued research in health policy and organizational ethics, and was engaged in teaching, consulting and other of the Center's activities on behalf of the students and faculty at Georgetown University Medical Center. Dr. Neale initiated The Georgetown University Community for Health Care Justice at Georgetown, a cross-campus group that met several times a year and aims to critique and transform the culture that infuses American health care, ultimately helping to shape a just system, responsive to the demands of human dignity. She was involved in two collaborative projects, with colleagues beyond Georgetown university, OurHealthcareFuture and Vision and Voice, to engage the general public in values-based discussions about healthcare reform.



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In your organization, which would you describe as "life giving"?

- _ Giving daily care to elders
- _ For elders, getting daily care
- _ Mealtime
- _ As a place to work
- _ As a place to visit



In your organization, do you think enough attention is given to these needs of older persons? (check all that apply)

_Physical _Emotional _Social _Spiritual



An important part of being in a "life-giving" setting is the ability to make choices. In your organization, which decisions do residents get to make?

_When to get up _When to eat _What to eat _Where to eat _When/whether to bathe and shower



Which of these relationships would you say are mostly life-giving, or positive in your organization?

- _CNAs and residents
- _ CNAs and supervisors
- _CNAs and CNAs
- _Staff and visitors
- _Residents and residents
- _Residents and others in your community (neighbors, volunteers)



Which areas of your organization do you think offer life-giving environments?

- _ Activity room
- _ Dining room
- _ Bathing rooms
- _ Staff lounge or locker room
- _ Chapel



What is important to you in a work environment?

- _ Teamwork
- _ Being assigned to the same units or residents most of the time
- _ Being listened to by others
- _ Able to make suggestions for improvement
- _ Humor
- _ People helping each other out
- _ Having time to sit and talk with residents



Have you used or do you plan to use the resource?

- _ As a discussion topic at staff meetings
- _ As a discussion topic at unit meetings
- _ As a discussion topic at resident council meetings
- _ As a prayer/reflection
- _ Sharing with family members and visitor
- _ Other

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Q&A

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