

Cross-Cultural Perspectives in end-of-life care

Understanding cross-cultural beliefs and practices around providing and receiving hospice care can help identify key ethnocultural factors that shape diverse experiences and offer insights for improved end-of-life interventions.



Family involvement

Including cultural preferences strongly influence attitudes of ethnocultural groups towards end-of-life care.



Respect for individual preferences

Accommodation of religious and cultural practices is highly valued in meeting the diverse needs of patients and families



Targeted Campaigns

To raise awareness on available services including offerings for caregivers and individuals experiencing bereavement within immigrant communities that may be unaware of such services.



Promoting culturally inclusive and sensitive care involves,

A multi-layered approach to deducing immigrant needs

Ongoing modification of services to ensure delivery of culturally appropriate care.

Beliefs around caring, dying and grieving

Vary within and across ethnocultural groups and may involve practices such as offering special prayers, playing music, following specific diets, and participating in a supportive community.



Expected Outcome

Incorporating diverse cultural perspectives into hospice care delivery can enhance cultural competence, inform relevant policies and promote a more inclusive and supportive environment for end-of-life care.

