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**Grief and the Healing Arts**

Purpose/goal: To identify critical issues, describe evidenced based strategies and describe moral and ethical dilemmas facing nurses and other health care professions who deliver Palliative care.

Evaluation: overall purpose/goal of this activity related to learning objectives.

[5] 61%      [4] 16%      [3] 4%      [2] 2%      [1] 0%      [n/a] 17%

Objectives/Learner's achievement: As a result of this educational activity, I am able to evaluate the arts and humanities as a professional and personal resource.

[5] 72%      [4] 17%      [3] 2%      [2] 1%      [1] 0%      [n/a] 8%

Bertman: Teaching Expertise: is knowledgeable in content area.

[5] 86%      [4] 11%      [3] 1%      [2] 0%      [1] 0%      [n/a] 2%

Bertman: Teaching Expertise: content is consistent with objectives.

[5] 82%      [4] 14%      [3] 1%      [2] 1%      [1] 0%      [n/a] 2%

Bertman: Teaching Expertise: teaching strategies were appropriate for topic.

[5] 82%      [4] 13%      [3] 3%      [2] 0%      [1] 0%      [n/a] 2%

Bertman: Teaching Expertise: teaching by this presenter was effective.

[5] 79%      [4] 15%      [3] 3%      [2] 1%      [1] 0%      [n/a] 2%

Laccetti: Teaching Expertise: is knowledgeable in content area.

[5] 83%      [4] 13%      [3] 3%      [2] 0%      [1] 0%      [n/a] 1%

Laccetti: Teaching Expertise: content is consistent with objectives.

[5] 81%      [4] 13%      [3] 4%      [2] 1%      [1] 0%      [n/a] 1%

Laccetti: Teaching Expertise: teaching strategies were appropriate for topic.

[5] 78%      [4] 14%      [3] 7%      [2] 0%      [1] 0%      [n/a] 1%

Laccetti: Teaching Expertise: teaching by this presenter was effective.

[5] 74%      [4] 19%      [3] 5%      [2] 1%      [1] 0%      [n/a] 1%

Was information about the conflict of interests of the presenter shared with you?

[yes] 38%      [no] 26%      [n/a] 36%

Was information on whether or not the activity received any commercial support for this program shared with you?

[yes] 40%      [no] 37%      [n/a] 23%

## COMMENTS

- I enjoyed it, eye opening for me. But I did not write anything “I’m not there yet” as far as being able to produce a story. I would do ok with a scientific report but am low level as far as creativity is concerned
- Very moving
- Fascinating and inspirational
- Beautiful artwork
- Nice description of story telling
- Excellent- “Wonderful Tears”! Inspiring insight! Thank you.
- Wonderful, spiritual, inspiring, creative
- Excellent! Very hopeful and interesting
- Interesting aspects on death/dying
- Art is in the eye of the beholder- beautiful even in death
- Interesting presentation
- How to use in a group setting
- Interesting and eye opening
- Great to be able to see how valuable the use of art, poetry, writing can be as we grieve- or try to be with others who are grieving. Very helpful.
- Loved the art- very provocative
- Not enough moral/ethical dilemmas
- Visual impact and music strong, mind wandered with linguist
- Very interesting, good work, great visuals
- Is the DVD available?
- Reminded me what the arts can teach you
- Surprised by how touched I was by this presentation
- Very enlightening
- Conceptually new for me- I loved it
- Very moving intro
- Great video and AV aids

## STRENGTHS OF THIS PRESENTATION

- It is appropriate to palliative care and I will take these techniques back to my nursing home
- Interesting
- The visual richness, two approaches visual and oral history
- The visuals
- Great perspective I would never consider, Thank You
- Slides and artwork were great
- Excellent and will utilize with families in my work setting
- It brought new meaning, new life
- Excellent presentations, content and presentation styles
- Telling the story of our patients
- Great well needed work
- Good models of writing/storytelling
- Engaging, personal and empowering
- Visual presentation wonderful

- Compassion/ insight
- Strength to face subject
- Art
- Creative
- Touching- meaningful
- This presentation was meaningful and creative as well as helpful for clinical practice
- Thoughtful artwork

#### AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT

- Too loud
- Bertman should have had an hour
- Verbal skills, articulate a little more clearly, strength of voice
- None
- Laccetti could have presented in more of a storytelling format, forget the power point
- More relevance to elderly/dementia
- Not effective for advanced dementia patients