Dear colleagues,

Palliative care is specialized medical care for patients and their families with life-threatening illnesses. Palliative care seeks to improve quality of life by providing additional support to the patient and caregivers, to assist with symptom burden, psychosocial needs, spiritual well-being, communication, and understanding of prognosis, treatment decision making, transition of care, existential issues, and end-of-life scenarios.

We are delighted to announce that Prof. Dr. Chochinov and Prof. Dr. Rodin, two outstanding international experts in the field of palliative care, have agreed to give a public lecture at the Department of Psychosomatic Medicine/Palliative Care at the University Hospital Basel.

We are looking forward to welcoming you in Basel!

Yours sincerely,

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Public Lectures
12:30 – 13:15 pm  Dignity, Personhood and the Culture of Medicine
Prof. Dr. Harvey Chochinov

13:15 - 14:00 pm  The Psychological Dimensions of Early Palliative Care.
An Evidence-Based Approach
Prof. Dr. Gary Rodin

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Speakers

Prof. Dr. Harvey Max Chochinov
Professor of Psychiatry, University of Manitoba

Dr. Chochinov is an international leader in palliative care. Dr. Chochinov is an international leader in palliative care. He is Distinguished Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Manitoba and a Senior Scientist in the Institute of Oncology and Hematology at Research Unit at CancerCare Manitoba. His seminal publications on psychosocial issues in advanced illness have helped define core competencies and standards of palliative end-of-life care.

Dr. Chochinov has been lauded for his contributions to palliative care, with awards and recognitions coming from the International Psycho-Oncology Society, the Canadian Association of Psychosocial Oncology, the Canadian Cancer Society, the Canadian Psychiatric Association, the Academy of Psychosomatic Medicine, and the American Association of Hospice and Palliative Medicine. He is Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada and the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences. He is also an Officer of the Order of Canada.

Prof. Dr. Gary M. Rodin
The Princess Margaret Cancer Centre, University of Toronto

Dr. Rodin is the Joint University of Toronto/University Health Network Harold and Shirley Lederman Chair in Psychosocial Oncology and Palliative Care and is Head of the Department of Supportive Care at the Princess Margaret Cancer Centre in Toronto.

Dr. Rodin is the Director of the Global Institute of Psychosocial, Palliative and End-of-Life Care (GIPPEC) and a Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Toronto. Dr. Rodin is the founder of CALM Therapy and has published widely on the psychiatric and psychosocial aspects of cancer and other medical illnesses. Under his leadership, the Department of Supportive Care at the Princess Margaret has now achieved an international reputation for its academic and clinical excellence.
Venue

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