**2025 Avera Compassion Connection**

**2025 Avera Compassion Connection The Ethical Ramifications of Caring for Patients in Difficult Situations - 3/11/2025**

03/11/2025 at 12:00 PM to 03/11/2025 at 01:00 PM

Live Activity

**Purpose:**

This multidisciplinary forum is designed to address social and emotional topics healthcare providers are facing to encourage mutual support, collegiality, and shared experiences of compassionate care that allow us to promote personal well-being resulting in better care of our patients and better care of our health system.  
  
Objective(s): 1 Recall a circumstance where patient care created ethical ramifications that challenged or benefitted the caregiver.  2 Create an understanding of what ethical choices and ramifications could be in Catholic healthcare. 3 Recognize the emotions as a result of the experience and share any strategies for processing the experience.  
Location:   
  
Faculty Disclosures:   
David Belde, Ph D (Approved Exception)  
MARIA COUGHLIN, BSN (Nothing to disclose - 07/25/2024)  
Megan Cobb, BSN (Approved Exception)  
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**Target Audience:**

Physician, Nurse - RN, Nursing Facility Administrator, Social Worker, Pharmacist, Registered Dietitian, Medical Assistants, Nurse -LPN/LVN

**For successful completion:**

* Attend education
* Complete evaluation

**Accreditation & Credit Designation:**

Accreditation

Jointly Accredited Provider
Interprofessional Continuing EducationIn support of improving patient care, Avera is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the healthcare team.

Continuing Education Credit Designation(s)

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**Medicine CME:** Avera designates this live activity for a maximum of 1.00 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)*™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Successful completion of this CME activity, which includes participation in the evaluation component, enables the learner to earn credit toward the CME of the American Board of Surgery’s Continuous Certification program. It is the CME activity provider’s responsibility to submit learner completion information to ACCME for the purpose of granting ABS credit.

**Nurse CE:** Avera designates this activity for a maximum of 1.00 ANCC contact hour(s). Nurses should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

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**Nursing Facility Administrator:** Avera is an approved provider of continuing education for South Dakota through the South Dakota Board of Nursing Facility Administrators. This educational activity is approved for 1.00 hour(s) for nursing facility administrators.

**Additional Information:**

* Feedback person for this educational activity is: Lindsay.heiter@avera.org

**Disclosure Policy:**

Due to the regulations required for CE credits, all conflicts of interest that persons in a position to control or influence the education must be fully disclosed to participants. In observance of this requirement, we are providing the following disclosure information: all relevant financial relationships disclosed below have been mitigated.

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| Marla Dziedzic, MBA | Content Expert - Committee Member | Nothing to disclose - 04/01/2024 |
| Candace Nelson, LCSW | Committee Planning Member | Nothing to disclose - 08/20/2024 |
| Jennifer Ballard, LCSW, LCSW-PIP | Committee Planning Member | Nothing to disclose - 07/31/2024 |
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| MARIA COUGHLIN, BSN, Nurse | Faculty | Nothing to disclose - 07/25/2024 |
| ROBYN EWALT, BA | Committee Planning Member | Nothing to disclose - 08/19/2024 |
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