



# Creating a Culture of Compassion

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# Partners in POLST: Honoring Patient Wishes across Care Settings





#### CREATING A CULTURE OF COMPASSION

A conference for everyone interested in improving care for people with an advanced or terminal illness, including physicians, nurses, social workers, administrators, attorneys, consumer advocates, and public policy makers.

## **Conference Program**

#### Fitting End of Life into the National Healthcare Agenda

Myra Christopher, Center for Practical Bioethics, Kansas City, MO

Myra Christopher, Founding President and CEO of the Center for Practical Bioethics and nationally recognized voice in aging and end-of-life care, connects healthcare reform to advanced illness, palliative care and advance care planning.

## Taking Time to Listen: Important Lessons from Special Populations

Fay Blix, Esq., Elder Law Attorney

Theresa Drought, PhD, RN, Kaiser Woodland Hills Medical Center

Elaine Lewis, Developmental Services Continuum, Inc.

Gina Mohr, MD, Loma Linda University Medical Center

Communicating about end-of-life issues with pediatric patients, people with Alzheimer's, and people with developmental disabilities requires special skills. Hear from this panel of experts about what you can learn from these special populations and their families – if we take the time.

#### 2012 Compassionate Care Leadership Awards

Presentation of the 1st Annual Compassionate Care Leadership Awards.

### **CCCC:** Making a Difference

Judy Citko, JD, Coalition for Compassionate Care of California

## Redefining Advance Care Planning: Engaging Surrogates in a Brand New Way

Rebecca Sudore, MD, UC San Francisco

Is your surrogate decision-maker prepared? How much flexibility do we give our surrogates? Dr. Rebecca Sudore outlines practical steps to help people prepare for making the best possible in-the-moment medical decisions.

## POLST: Making It Work in the Real World

## POLST by the Numbers

Catherine Russell McGregor, RN, MSN, FNS-C, Sutter Health Sacramento/Sierra Region Neil Wenger, MD, UC Los Angeles

Is POLST working in the real world? Where is it working? Where is it breaking down? POLST implementation is an evolving process. See what the data shows about California's progress.

#### **POLST** in Action

David English, MD, Ethics Committee of Alameda County Medical Center

Kate O'Malley, RN, MS, FNP, California HealthCare Foundation

Paul Schneider, MD, Greater Los Angeles VA Healthcare System

Karl Steinberg, MD, Scripps Coastal Medical Center

Steve Lai, MD, Palo Alto Medical Foundation

What are the tips and tricks to using POLST successfully? Hear from a panel of experts about the best practices they employ to implement POLST across the healthcare continuum.

#### This Is Not Your Grandfather's Death

#### Steve Pantilat, MD, UC San Francisco

What does end-of-life and palliative care look like in California? Dr. Steve Pantilat reports on hospital-based palliative care and a recent survey on Californians' end-of-life experiences and attitudes.

#### PARTNERS IN POLST: HONORING PATIENT WISHES ACROSS CARE SETTINGS

Join end-of-life and palliative care leaders from across the country who are advancing the POLST Paradigm to translate patient wishes into medical orders that are honored across care settings. Learn innovative strategies for implementing POLST in your state or region.

## **Conference Program**

DAY 2 -- NATIONAL POLST CONFERENCE

#### Where We've Been, Where We Are & Where We're Going

Susan Tolle\*, MD (OR), Center for Ethics in Health Care, Oregon Health Sciences University Dr. Tolle, one of the founders of Oregon's POLST Paradigm Program and recognized national POLST leader, will provide an overview of endorsed POLST programs across the U.S., as well as outline some of the barriers and lessons learned from mature POLST states. She will also address how to become an endorsed POLST Paradigm state, and the future sustainability of the national POLST movement.

## Research Findings and Evaluation of POLST

Judith Black\*, MD (PA)

Erik Fromme, MD (OR), Oregon Health Sciences University

Bernard (Bud) Hammes\*, PhD (WI), Gunderson Lutheran Medical Foundation

Naomi Karp, JD (DC), Consumer and State Affairs Team - AARP's Public Policy Institute

Catherine Russell McGregor, RN, MSN, FNS-C (CA), POLST Quality Improvement Coordinator

Charles Sabatino\*, JD (DC), ABA Commission on Law and Aging

Neil Wenger, MD (CA), POLST Evaluation Team

Researchers across the country are examining the POLST Paradigm. Hear from this panel of evaluation experts about recent research highlights, including AARP's report detailing POLST efforts in 12 states, data from Oregon's POLST registry, POLST quality and implementation data being collected in California, and data from Wisconsin comparing the consistency of POLST and advance directives.

#### **POLST** across the Continuum

Margaret Carley\*, JD, RN (OR), Center for Ethics in Health Care, Oregon Health Sciences University Alvin (Woody) Moss\*, MD (WV), Center for Health Ethics and Law, West Virginia University Terri Schmidt\*, MD (OR), Oregon Health Sciences University

Kenneth Zeri\*, RN, MS (HI), Hospice Hawaii

Paul Schneider, MD (CA), Greater Los Angeles VA Healthcare System

POLST is an interdisciplinary tool, and one that travels with patients across care settings. A presentation of case studies demonstrates the importance of collaboration and coordination between emergency medical services, skilled nursing facilities, acute care hospitals and hospices.

## **Lunchtime Regional POLST Discussions**

Judy Eads\* (TN)

David Koets\*, MD (CO)

Dee Leahman\* (NC)

Chervl Simpson-Whitaker\* (ID)

Join others from your geographic region to discuss and share POLST successes and challenges, including recognizing POLST forms across state borders.

#### **Modeling the POLST Conversation**

Linda Briggs MS, MA, RN (WI), Gundersen Lutheran Medical Foundation

Jim Mittelberger, MD, MPH (CA), POLST Physician Champion

A POLST form is only as good as the conversation on which it is based. Two POLST experts model effective conversation techniques during a live demonstration of a POLST conversation that takes place over time.

#### PARTNERS IN POLST: HONORING PATIENT WISHES ACROSS CARE SETTINGS (CONTINUED)

#### **POLST Education & Resources**

Judy Citko\*, JD, Coalition for Compassionate Care of California

Looking for POLST educational materials and resources that are already available? Don't want to reinvent the wheel? Learn about educational efforts and tools that have been used successfully with both healthcare providers and consumers.

#### **POLST Networking**

Attendees will have an opportunity to visit displays from all endorsed POLST Paradigm states and meet one-on-one with representatives from those states.

#### Breakout Sessions - Choose One Session to Attend

#### 1. The POLST Conversation

Chris Evans, RN, MSN (CA), CA POLST Education Program

Joanne Hatchett, RN, MSN, NP (CA), CA POLST Education Program

Learn effective communication techniques and interactive teaching methods to enhance healthcare providers' comfort and skill in having the POLST conversation.

#### 2. Physician Engagement

Mark Apfel, MD (CA), POLST Physician Champion

Susan Tolle\*, MD (OR), Center for Ethics in Health Care, Oregon Health Sciences University Participate in a discussion about proven strategies for increasing physician engagement in the POLST process.

#### 3. Coalition Building

Patricia Bomba\*, MD (NY), Excellus BlueCross BlueShield

Maureen Henry, JD (UT), Utah Commission on Aging

Hear from state representatives who have implemented POLST through building local and regional coalitions of key stakeholders.

#### 4. Legal and Regulatory Issues

Naomi Karp, JD (DC), Consumer and State Affairs Team - AARP's Public Policy Institute Charles Sabatino\*, JD (DC), ABA Commission on Law and Aging

Hear from experts about some of the state-specific legal and regulatory issues impacting POLST implementation.

#### POLST Registries: Why, When and How

Terri Schmidt\*, MD (OR), Oregon Health Sciences University

So you've implemented POLST in your community. Now what? Learn about the key components of a POLST registry and what it takes for a registry to be successful.

\*National POLST Paradigm Task Force Member

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#### SPEAKER HIGHLIGHTS

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A confirmation will be sent via email to all registrants who register at least one week in advance.

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#### LOCATION



With world famous attractions and 70 miles of beaches, San Diego has so much to offer. Discover some of San Diego's history by visiting Old Town, Cabrillo National Monument, Gaslamp Quarter, Balboa Park or one of the region's many missions. And don't stop there. Enjoy a roller coaster ride, numerous entertainment centers or a day at a water park. The adventurer will love sky sailing or a bi-plane ride. For those with more refined tastes, discover lush botanical gardens and beautiful wineries.



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