Creating a Positive Partnership: Psychiatry and Palliative Care

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Barbara Bush Children’s Hospital (BBCH)

116 beds including:

31 Level III NICU
20 Level II CCN
8 PICU
BBCH Resources

Pedi CL Psychiatry
- Attending
- CAP Fellow

PACT
- Attending
- Nurse Practitioner
- Clinical LCSW

Care Management
- Care Coordination
- LCSW
Case#1: Alveolar rhabdomyosarcoma

Highlighted Details

- Poor prognosis
- High toxicity treatment plan
- Significant psychosocial stressors
- Complicated psychiatric history
PACT and Psychiatry Roles

**PACT**
- Opiate pain mgmt
- Adv care planning
- End of life planning
- Hospice

**PSYCH**
- Psychology (patient and family)
- Non-opiate pain mgmt.
- Grief
- Resilience
- Emotional Support
- Quality of life

- Psychiatric Diagnoses
- Psychopharm
- Capacity
- Delirium
Digging Deeper...

- Family/Patient support vs psychotherapy
- Effective shared pharmacology
- Macro vs Micro psychology
Case #2: Respiratory failure and nonverbal ASD

Highlighted Details

- Significant behavioral difficulties
- Comorbid chronic illness
- Code status discussions
- Significant psychosocial stressors
- Limited community resources
Case #3 Nonsurvivable Suicide Attempt

Highlighted Details

- End of life decisions
- Bereavement
- Family support specific to suicide
- Maine Laws
- Staff support
Key Takeaways

Value of Partnership

“Overlap” can be complementary

Think outside the box!
Thank you!!!