



Advance Care Planning

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Effectiveness of Advance Care Planning Group Visits among Older Adults in Primary Care

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7718376/>

This study aimed to determine whether the ENgaging in Advance Care Planning Talks (ENACT) group visits intervention improves ACP documentation and readiness in older adults. (OPEN ACCESS)

Advance Care Planning Interview Guide for Patients in Longer Term Care and within Last 12 Months of Life

http://ethel.boostlms.com/course_modules/35/resources/Conversation%20Guide%20-%20Long%20Term%20Care_Last%20Year%20of%20Life.pdf

This two page handout lists actions to guide care providers with sample questions to guide conversations. (OPEN ACCESS)

Implementing Advance Care Planning in Nursing Home – Study Protocol of a Cluster-Randomized Clinical Trial

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6090595/>

This research project aimed to promote the possibility for conversations about the EOL with patients and relatives; promote patient autonomy; create a better foundation for important decisions in the case of medical emergencies and at the EOL; and gain experiences in order to find out what characterizes good ACP and good implementation strategies. (OPEN ACCESS)

Advance Care Planning in Primary Care: A Retrospective Medical Record Study among Patients with Different Illness Trajectories

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/35152892/>

This study aimed to examine the documentation of Advance Care Planning (ACP) for patients with cancer, organ failure and multimorbidity in medical records (as a proxy for ACP application) in Dutch general practice. (OPEN ACCESS)

Advance Care Planning in Older Hospitalized Patients Following an Emergency Admission: A Mixed Method Study

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7935239/>

This mixed method study aimed to quantify the one-year mortality outcomes of all emergency admissions for patients aged 70+ years and explore patient views on the value of ACP following acute hospitalization. (OPEN ACCESS)

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Advance Care Plans and Hospitalized Frail Older Adults: A Systematic Review

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7286036/>

This systematic literature review concerning ACP with frail older people in the acute hospital, aimed to review the following questions: (1) Does ACP improve outcomes? (2) What are the views of patients, relatives and healthcare professionals regarding ACP? (3) Does ACP currently occur? (4) What are the facilitators and barriers to ACP? (OPEN ACCESS)

Advance Care Planning Prior to Death in Older Adults with Hip Fracture

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7351969/>

This study aimed to determine the prevalence of ACP and need for surrogate decision-making prior to death in older adults with hip fracture and to identify factors associated with ACP. (OPEN ACCESS)

Advance Care Planning for Patients with COVID-19: A Communication Guide

https://www.magonlinelibrary.com/doi/full/10.12968/hmed.2020.0571?rfr_dat=cr_pub++0pubmed&url_ver=Z39.88-2003&rfr_id=ori%3Arid%3Acrossref.org

This article provides practical tips on how to translate decisions around treatment escalation plans into conversations, both face-to-face and over the phone, in a sensitive and compassionate manner. (OPEN ACCESS)

Talking about Dying: How to Begin Honest Conversations about What Lies Ahead

<https://www.rcplondon.ac.uk/projects/outputs/talking-about-dying-how-begin-honest-conversations-about-what-lies-ahead>

This report offers signposts to tools and educational resources to support physicians and other health care professionals on having conversations with patients much earlier after the diagnosis of a progressive or terminal condition, including frailty. (OPEN ACCESS)

Trends in Advance Care Planning and End-of-Life Care among Persons Living with Dementia Requiring Surrogate Decision-Making

<https://agsjournals.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1111/jgs.17680>

This study aimed to examine trends in ACP and end-of-life (EOL) care intensity among persons living with dementia who required surrogate decision making in their final days of life. (OPEN ACCESS)

Perspective of People with Dementia and Carers on ACP and EOL care: A Systematic Review and Thematic Synthesis of Qualitative Studies

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6376607/>

This qualitative study aimed to describe the perspectives of people living with dementia and their caregivers on ACP and EOL care. (OPEN ACCESS)

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Advance Care Planning in Dementia: Recommendations for Healthcare Professionals

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6014017/>

This study aimed to develop evidence-based clinical recommendations to guide professionals across settings in the practical application of ACP in dementia care. **(OPEN ACCESS)**