

**Palliative Symptom Management Kit Update:  
Supporting Expected Death at Home  
Wed. May 19, 2021 | 12 - 1 pm (EDT)**

**A presentation with:  
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The purpose of a Symptom Management Kit (SMK) is the management of rapid-onset, unanticipated symptoms at end of life. In this presentation, Kathryn will describe using the SMK to support expected death in the home, including assessing appropriateness and implementation of the kit in conjunction with best practice clinical guidelines. Common questions and answers for patients and families regarding the kit will be discussed. Kathryn will also review the Ontario Palliative Care Network's (OPCN) guiding document on Symptom Management for Adult Patients with COVID-19 Outside of the ICU.

**Learning objectives:**

- Describe the SMK, including its purpose, contents, and how to access supplies.
- Discuss implementation of the SMK in accordance with best practice clinical guidelines.
- Prepare families and patients for the final days and hours of life.
- Provide end of life care within the context of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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