



Caring for the Whole Person Initiative (CWPI) Parish Volunteer Training

Wednesdays, August 17 – September 14

@ 6:00 – 8:00 PM

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REGISTER ONLINE BY AUGUST 5 – Space is limited!

Cost: \$50 (limited scholarships available)

For more information, contact: cwpinitiative@gmail.com

Website: <https://wholeperson.care>



Parish Leader Training Session Overview

Training Module 1: August 17

Introduction to Caring for the Whole Person Initiative (CWPI)
Introduction to Hospice and Palliative Care, Presented by
Ira Byock, M.D., FAAHPM

Training Module 2: August 24

Catholic Moral Teaching in the context of Serious Illness and End-of-Life
Care, Presented by Johnny Cox

Training Module 3: August 31

Caring for Parishioners Along the Continuum of Care, Communication
and Volunteer Guidelines, Presented by Fr. Jack Sewell

Training Module 4: September 7

Advance Care Planning, Presented by Johnny Cox

Training Module 5: September 14

Parish as a Loving Community, Caring for One Another, Presented by
Suzanne Engelder, LCSW



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Ira Byock, M.D., FAAHPM



Dr. Ira Byock is Founder and Senior Vice President for Strategic Innovation at the Providence Institute for Human Caring in Gardena, CA. He is a leading palliative care physician, author, and public advocate for improving care for people at all ages and stages of life. Dr. Byock is an active professor emeritus of medicine and community and family medicine at the Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth. He is a past president of the American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine and served as director for Promoting Excellence in End-of-Life Care, a national grant program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. He is the author of *Dying Well* (1997), *The Four Things That Matter Most* (2004), and *The Best Care Possible* (March 2012).

Johnny Cox



Johnny Cox is a moral theologian and registered nurse (retired) who practiced clinical ethics for nineteen years in Providence facilities. He later became the first vice president of mission for Providence Services. In 1999 St. Joseph Health recruited him to lead implementation of its “Next Generation Ethics” program, integrating clinical ethics with quality management and patient safety.

He also served on the St. Joseph Health Executive Management Team and participated in the design of the Ministry Leadership Center, serving on its Board until he retired in 2007. He was appointed one of the original Providence Ministries Sponsors in 2009, completing his sponsorship service with Providence St. Joseph Health in 2018. He currently consults as the Chief Ethics Advisor for the Alliance of Catholic Healthcare.

Johnny has a B.S. degree in nursing from Seattle University, a M.A. in theology from the University of Notre Dame, and a Ph.D. in Christian social ethics from the Claremont Graduate University. He is married with four children and ten grandchildren.



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Fr. Jack Sewell

Fr. Jack Sewell is a priest of the Diocese of Orange, California. He was ordained in 1978, and was assigned as parochial vicar at three parishes, as pastor at two parishes, and as adjutant judicial vicar in the Office of Canonical Services. He currently ministers on weekends as the contract priest at the School of Infantry West, USMC Camp Pendleton, CA, and part-time weekdays at St. Joseph

Hospital, Orange, CA. He has served as Chairman of the Council of Priests, as a member of the Priest's Retirement Plan Committee, and on the Permanent Deaconate Board.

Fr. Jack also served for thirty years in the U.S. Air Force Reserve Chaplain Corps. Fr. Jack was assigned to numerous bases throughout his military career including deployments to Saudi Arabia and Korea. He retired from the Air Force in 2012.



Suzanne Engelder, LCSW

Suzanne Engelder, LCSW is Executive Director of Program Development at the Providence Institute for Human Caring and has been working in health care for over 35 years.

Suzanne has worked in acute care including the emergency department, oncology and critical care. Her primary work has been in hospice and palliative care, with a focus on clinical care, program development and community education.

Suzanne has presented on the importance of advance care planning at all stages of life at Regional, State, National and International conferences. Her work has been published in *Advances in Neonatal Care* and *Olds' Maternal Newborn Nursing & Women's Health*. She is a certified grief support group facilitator, faculty for ELNEC and IPPC and a POLST trainer. Suzanne is a strong advocate for improving care for seriously ill patients at all ages and stages of life. through advance care planning conversations.

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