# Spiritual Care

# What is Faith Community Nursing?

Faith community nurses are licensed, registered nurses who practice holistic health for self, individuals and the community using nursing knowledge combined with spiritual care. They function in paid and unpaid positions as members of the pastoral team in a variety of religious faiths, cultures and countries. The focus of their work is on the intentional care of the spirit, assisting the members of the faith community to maintain and/or regain wholeness in body, mind, and spirit.





The Foundations of Faith
Community Nursing course is a combined virtual and online learning program.

### **Course Dates**

#### **Course Introduction:**

Tuesday, July 12, 2022, 6 - 8:30 p.m.

### Virtual Classroom Learning-Part 1:

Thursday, July 14, 2022, 4:30 - 8:30 p.m. Friday, July 15, 2022, 8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

## **Online Component:**

July 18 - September 2, 2022 seven weeks of independent learning

# **Virtual Classroom Learning-Part 2:**

Thursday, September 8, 2022, 4:30 - 8:30 p.m. Friday, September 9, 2022, 8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

All virtual and online learning components are required for successful completion of the course



Doctors on the medical staffs practice independently and are not employees or agents of Texas Health hospitals or Texas Health Resources. ETHCORP115898 03/22 EP

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### **Course Overview**

The purpose of this course is to provide registered nurses with specialized knowledge and skills for professional practice in a faith community setting.

The core curriculum focuses on:

- Spirituality
- Professionalism
- Holistic Health
- Community

#### **Course Description**

The Foundations of Faith Community Nursing course is a nationally-endorsed curriculum from the Westberg Institute for Faith Community Nursing.

The American Nurses Association recognizes faith community nursing as a sub-specialty in nursing. Faith community nursing holds the spiritual dimension as central to its practice.

#### Accreditation

In support of improving patient care, Texas Health Resources is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the healthcare team.

#### **Designation of Credit for Nursing**

37.5 contact hours will be provided for nursing.

#### **Course Requirements**

- Must have an active registered nurses license for the state in which you practice
- Should have specialized knowledge in the spiritual beliefs and practices of the faith community
- Should reflect personal spiritual maturity in her/his practice
- Should be organized, flexible, a self-starter and a good communicator



#### **Course Format**

This course is a hybrid of virtual class meetings with independent, on-line learning experiences. Participation in all four virtual class meetings are required for course completion.

#### **Faculty**

- Saundra Denise Brown, MSN-ED, RN-BC
- Paula Miller, MSN, RN
- Cheryl Mart, MSN, RN-BC
- Caryn Paulos, MSN, RN-BC

#### **Registration and Payment Deadline**

- June 20, 2022
- Enrollment is limited, register early
- Payment must be received prior to distribution of course materials

#### **Registration Fees and Instructions**

- Registration Fee: \$395
- Special discount for nurses employed by Texas Health Resources and nurses in a Faith Community Program Agreement: \$75
- Make checks payable to: Texas Health Resources

#### Registration is Completed when ALL Items are Submitted

- Course payment, due June 20,2022
- Completed application form
- Completed questionnaire about your personal goals and purpose for taking this course
- Letter of support from your clergy or spiritual leader for participation in the course, examples can be provided upon request

#### Send to:

Texas Health Resources Caryn Paulos, MSN, RN-BC Director of Faith Community Nursing 612 East Lamar Boulevard, Suite 1200 Arlington, Texas 76011

#### For Further Information:

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Pre-course materials will be mailed to you two weeks before the start of the course. Course materials will include, textbook, worksheet for examining your spiritual journey, course details, and schedule.

# Foundations of Faith Community Nursing Course Application Form

Are you currently working as a faith community or

Fee includes course materials, CNE's, and Westberg Institute for Faith Community Nursing pin and certificate.