



This session is delivered as part of our monthly palliative care **virtual event** which can be accessed throughout the state.

Date

Thursday 12 May

Time

2.00pm-3.00pm AWST

Venue

Virtual event

Cost

Free

Online Registration

<https://death-literacy-index-12-may-2022.eventbrite.com.au>

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The Death Literacy Index and how to use it

Designed for

Doctors, Registered Nurses, Enrolled Nurses, Allied Health Professionals, Facility Managers, Pastoral Care Workers, Aboriginal Health Workers

Overview

Providing care at end of life is so much easier when patients, carers, family, friends and their health workers all appreciate the importance of this final stage of life and the what makes a good death possible. That's been the focus of our research for 15 years. Death literate communities and professionals make it so much easier to work together to support the patient's needs and wishes. But how death literate is your community? How death literate are your fellow health professionals? We developed the Death Literacy Index to find out

Learning areas

- Why develop a Death literacy Index?
- What it looks like
- How might you use it?
- Reassurances that it works – other studies that have used the DLI (also reliability and validity)

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