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## A Pastoral Response to the Challenges of MAiD

Presented by Roshene Lawson

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## A Pastoral Response to the Challenges of MAiD

How do we care for and support individuals seeking MAiD? How do we support family members and their different perspectives? What if our own religious beliefs teach us that it is wrong?

Roshene Lawson will explore an approach focusing on compassion, empathy and journeying with patients as they search for meaning in their suffering. The presentation will not condone or condemn MAID as a treatment option. Instead, it will focus on how pastoral care volunteers can journey with patients, listen to their struggle and assist them with their own meaning-making around life and death issues.

#### **About Roshene Lawson**

Roshene Lawson is a Clinical Chaplain with Bruyère Continuing Care at St. Vincent Hospital in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. She has been working as a hospital chaplain for the past 22 years. Her main areas of expertise are working with patients and families in crisis, facilitating discussions and education about advance care planning, Medical Assistance in Dying and end of life discussions. Roshene feels strongly that spiritual care plays an integral part in humanizing all aspects of health care.

### Registration is Required Cost: \$20

Pastoral Care Teams are encouraged to attend as a team where possible.

## Please register by October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024

#### To register and pay:

**Email** your name, email address, phone number, and church or institution name to <a href="mailto:opctp.registrar@gmail.com">opctp.registrar@gmail.com</a> and let our registrar know how you will pay.

**TO PAY**, send an e-transfer to: opctp.registrar@gmail.com

or make a cheque out to 'Ottawa Pastoral Care Training Program' and mail it to:

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The OPCTP is pleased to waive the fee for clergy members or leaders/coordinators of pastoral/spiritual care teams.

To register, they should email their details

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