

Clinical Spiritual Care seeks and draws upon resources that are meaningful to you. It offers a supportive relationship in which to process feelings of distress and spiritual concerns.

The Spiritual Care Chaplain makes frequent rounds in all areas of the hospital and can be referred by any interdisciplinary team member.

If you wish to utilize this service, please ask a staff member to contact the Spiritual Care Chaplain. In emergencies, contact can be made by pager.



We are here to support you

Spiritual Care Department Contact

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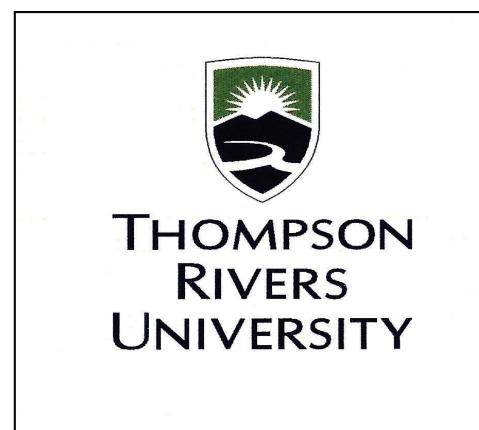
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RIH Clinical Spiritual Care

This pamphlet is dedicated to patients and their families in the hospital who draw upon their spiritual values during their stay.

Clinical-Spiritual Care

Spirituality is a natural dimension of every person. “Spirit” implies energy and power while spirituality describes an awareness of relationships with self and others. It is an appreciation of presence and purpose that includes a sense of purpose and meaning.

During this difficult time you may feel afraid, lonely, or confused. Many people draw from spirituality as a source of comfort and strength during a crisis. Clinical-Spiritual Care is a holistic approach to healthcare which values and affirms spirituality and faith as part of the healing process.



Clinical/Spiritual Care can be focused on your chose faith

Clinical-Spiritual Care Chaplain Roles and Responsibilities.

The Chaplain is a trained credentialed professional in spiritual and emotional care and is bound to a strict code of ethics. The Chaplain seeks and draws upon resources that are meaningful to you and offers a supportive relationship in which to process feelings and spiritual concerns. Patients and families of all areas in the hospital can access the spiritual practitioner.

If you or your loved one needs to utilize this service, please ask staff about being referred to the Clinical-Spiritual Care Chaplain.

Available Services

- Psycho-spiritual counsel and emotional support
- Care in trauma and crisis situations
- Dealing with difficult treatments and ethical consultations
- Facilitate communication with family and staff
- Liaison with community faith resources
- Spiritual/cultural practices, ceremonies, rites, and sacraments
- Planning special rituals or services of thanks-giving or remembrance
- Grief and loss support
- Family, terminal illness and end of life support

On Call Services

The Clinical-Spiritual Care Chaplain is available during office hours (8:30 am-4:30pm). The volunteer clergy on-call group is available for emergencies after hours and on the weekend.. The on-call service provides pastoral and sacramental support and liaises with for any religious affiliation of your choice.



The Sacred Space

The sacred space is always open and located on the first floor the by the front entrance doors It is a quiet place for healing and reconciliation, a place to find meaning from burdens, and a place to find hope amongst hopelessness.