NMH Spiritual Care Mission, Vision and Attributes

Mission

To provide timely and effective multi-faith spiritual care to the hospital community, enriched through inter-professional collaboration, integrating Clinical Pastoral Education and research to continually improve excellence in clinical practice. In addition, we provide innovative, research-based staff support initiatives to increase staff resilience and wellbeing which enhances patient care.

Vision

To be a premier, nationally recognized chaplaincy department and influential leader in best clinical practice, Clinical Pastoral Education and research for the chaplaincy profession.

Attributes:

Relational

- · Foster healthy relationships with self, others and the divine/transcendent
- Connect persons with meaning/purpose
- Collaborate with members of the interprofessional team

Holistic

- Integrate needs of the human spirit into the biomedical model of care
- · Promote physical, emotional, spiritual and religious well-being
- Treat the patient as a person

Inclusive

- Practice cultural competence and humility
- Provide care tailored to the needs of a diverse and multi-faith community
- Advocate for dignity and respect for all persons
- Create a hospitable and welcoming environment

Compassionate

- Convey care, empathy and understanding
- Practice non-judgmental presence
- Respond to human limitations and frailty with acceptance

Professional

- Provide timely, effective and evidence-based spiritual care
- Strive to improve excellence in clinical practice
- Be visionary leaders and educators in chaplaincy care

