**Psychiatry & Psychotherapy Podcast Series: Episode 79: Courage to have the Tough Conversations in the COVID-19 Pandemic**

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**Purpose**

This episode will discuss the courage to have the Tough Conversations in the COVID-19 Pandemic.

**Target Audience**

Specialties – Family Medicine, Medicine, Psychiatry & Human Behavior

Professions – Physician, Nurse Practitioner, Physician Assistant

**Activity Objectives**

1 Understand how to address death and dying with patients and their families with regards to COVID-19

1 Discuss how the use of more compassionate and sensitive wording during tough conversations can alleviate the burden and fear family members feel during key decisions

2 Understand how to navigate the difficult situation physicians face when the patient’s family wants everything possible done for their loved one

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**Agenda**

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