Palliative Care Bulletin
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Pain
(Pain Assessment, Pain Assessment - Cognitive Impairment, Pain Management, Neuropathic Pain, Choosing and Changing Opioids, Anticipatory Prescribing)


Bell RF, Eccleston C, Kalso EA. Ketamine as an adjuvant to opioids for cancer pain. Cochrane Database Syst Rev. 2017(6).


Matic M, Jongen JLM, Elens L, de Wildt SN, Tibboel D, Sillevis Smitt PAE, et al. Advanced cancer pain: the search for genetic factors correlated with interindividual variability in opioid requirement. Pharmacogenomics. 2017;18(12):1133-42. You may need to access via the Knowledge Network Library Search to see full text access options


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Symptom Control
(Anorexia/Cachexia, Bowel Obstruction, Breathlessness, Constipation, Cough, Delirium, Depression, Diarrhoea, Hiccups, Mouth Care, Nausea and Vomiting, Pruritis, Sweating, Weakness / Fatigue, Palliative Emergencies)


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Palliative Emergencies
(Bleeding, Seizures, Malignant spinal cord compression, Superior Vena Cava Obstruction, Hypercalcaemia)

Nil

End of Life Care
(Renal Disease in the Last Days of Life, Care in the Last Days of Life, Out of Hours Handover, Subcutaneous Fluids, Rapid Transfer Home in the Last Days of Life, Severe uncontrolled distress)


**Medicine Information**
(Syringe Pumps, Alfentanil, Fentanyl Patches, Fentanyl Nasal Spray (Pecfent), Fentanyl Sublingual (Abstral), Fentanyl Buccal (Effentora), Ketamine, Levomepromazine, Lidocaine, Methadone, Methylnaltrexone, Midazolam, Naloxone, Octreotide, Oxycodone, Phenobarbital (Phenobarbitone))

Afolabi TM, Nahata MC, Pai V. *Nebulized opioids for the palliation of dyspnea in terminally ill patients*. Am J Health Syst Pharm. 2017;74(14):1053. *You may need to access via the Knowledge Network Library Search to see full text access options*


**Reports, Guidelines etc.**
