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Core Curriculum

End-of-Life Nursing Education Consortium

**Module 5:
Cultural and Spiritual
Considerations in
End-of-Life Care**





A Mother's Touch



Fathers Watch

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Components of Cultural Assessment

- **Patient/family/community**
 - **Birthplace**
 - **Ethnic identity, community**
 - **Decision making**
 - **Language and communication**



Language Used at the End of Life

- **"Discontinuation"**
- **"DNR"**
- **"Withdrawing/withholding"**



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Conclusion

- **Culture is a major influence on end-of-life care**
- **Self-assessment of culture**
- **Many dimensions of culture**
- **Culturally sensitive care**
- **Interdisciplinary care**



Caring for the Body and Soul

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