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Grant Smith, MD is a palliative care physician and Clinical Associate Professor of Medicine at the Stanford School of Medicine. He is the medical director of the Stanford Palliative Care Community Partnerships Team. He received his medical degree from Harvard Medical School and completed his residency in internal medicine and fellowship in hospice and palliative medicine at the University of California, San Francisco. As part of the Stanford faculty, he is an attending physician on the palliative care inpatient service and in the outpatient palliative care clinic in Palo Alto.

CLINICAL FOCUS

- Internal Medicine

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Clinical Associate Professor, Medicine - Primary Care and Population Health

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Serious Illness Communication Program Trainer, Serious Illness Communication Program, Stanford Department of Medicine, (2022- present)
- Advance Care Planning Quality Improvement Lead, Division of Primary Care and Population Health, Stanford School of Medicine, (2022-2024)
- Medical Director, Palliative Care Center of Excellence - Community Partnerships Team, (2019- present)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Margaret Raffin Community Champion Award, Stanford Health Care Board of Directors (2025)
- Fellow (FAAHPM), American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine (2025)
- Fellow (FACP), American College of Physicians (2025)

BOARDS, ADVISORY COMMITTEES, PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Member, American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine (2013 - present)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Residency: UCSF Dept of Internal Medicine (2017) CA
- Board Certification, American Board of Internal Medicine , Hospice and Palliative Medicine (2022)
- Fellowship: UCSF Hospice and Palliative Medicine Fellowship (2019) CA
- Board Certification: Internal Medicine, American Board of Internal Medicine (2017)
- Medical Education: Harvard Medical School (2014) MA

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **Pivoting to serious illness conversations to meet advance care planning quality measures in academic primary care clinics.** *Healthcare (Amsterdam, Netherlands)*
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- **Improving Public Knowledge and Attitudes About Palliative Care Through Virtual, Community-Based Education**
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- **Virtual Reality for Symptom Management in Patients Undergoing Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation: A Quality Improvement Initiative.** *Oncology nursing forum*
Vega, C., Whitney, R. L., Hannah, J., Smith, G.
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- **Community/Institution Partnerships to Improve Palliative Care Awareness and Advance Care Planning in Diverse Communities**
Smith, G., Bleymaier, C., Kojimoto, G., Stokes, S., Nouri, S.
ELSEVIER SCIENCE INC.2022: 836
- **Development, Implementation, and Outcomes of a Serious Illness Care Community of Practice.** *Journal of pain and symptom management*
Smith, G. M., Radigan, N. J., Maloney, F. L., Hawrusik, B., Paquette, E., Takahashi, K., Downey, N., Paladino, J., Bernacki, R. E.
2021

- **Palliative Care to the People: Partnering with a Patient Experience Department to Raise Awareness of Palliative Care in the Community**
Smith, G. M., Bragg, A., Bleymaier, C. R., Mirkin, R. A., Harman, S. M.
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- **Responding to Community Needs During COVID-19: A Virtual, Interdisciplinary Palliative Care Education Series for the Public**
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- **Home Is Where the Heart Is** *JOURNAL OF PALLIATIVE MEDICINE*
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- **The Role of Palliative Care in Population Management and Accountable Care Organizations** *JOURNAL OF PALLIATIVE MEDICINE*
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- **Growing Up With Sickle Cell Disease: A Pilot Study of a Transition Program for Adolescents With Sickle Cell Disease** *JOURNAL OF PEDIATRIC HEMATOLOGY ONCOLOGY*
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