

# Death and Dying Research Group 2017 Seminar Series



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## *Future Seminar Dates....*

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2017** 1.30pm Room Library Seminar 1+2

Death and the Moving Image with Dr Michele Aaron

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> August** 1.30pm Room CMR 11

Palliative Care in New Zealand with Prof Merryn Gott

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September** 1.30pm Room Library Seminar 1+2

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October** 1.30pm Room Library Seminar 1+2

Adult Vulnerability and the Adult Attitudinal Grief Scale:  
From Theory to Practice with Dr Linda Machin

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November** 1.30pm Room CMR 11

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December** 1.30pm Room CMR 11

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2018** 1.30pm Room CMR 11

For more information and to book your free place  
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at the OU on Death and Dying please visit:

<http://wels.open.ac.uk/research/death-dying-and-bereavement>

## About our Speakers...

### Prof Scott Murray

Scott Murray leads the first Palliative Care Research Group based in Primary Care in the UK. Their in-depth qualitative research concludes that different people need different types of palliative care. He advocates for palliative care for all diagnoses, all times, all dimensions, all settings and all nations. Scott chairs the International Primary Palliative Care Network, the newly formed EAPC Primary care reference group, and advises the WHO on primary palliative care. Scott's vision is that good palliative care should be available to everyone everywhere by generalists supported by specialists.

Drawing on over 1000 in-depth serial interviews with people with various advanced illness, Scott will graphically present the typical multi-dimensional trajectories that people with various illnesses experience in their last phase of life. This will be illustrated by comparing different illnesses with different dances, or athletic events to show that there are many different dyings. These findings can be disseminated to health and social care workers by using a short video as a learning tool to help people see a rationale for early palliative care by seeing the approach might be triggered by physical, social, psychological or existential needs.

Scott would like to help produce "Strictly come dying" on BBC TV to bring back public understanding about the "Dance Macabre".

### Dr Karen Chumbley

Karen is a GP by background, developing an interest in palliative and end of life care to lead Castle Gardens Medical Practice to be one of the first wave of GP surgeries to accredit with the Gold Standards Framework Going for Gold Programme. Appointed the North East Essex CCG Clinical End of Life lead in 2013 she led a locally enhanced service across the locality, encouraging the GPs to identify people at risk of being in the last year of life and offer advance care planning conversations and anticipatory symptom control.

St Helena Hospice became joint commissioners with the CCG and launched the 'My Care Choices Register.' This electronic palliative care register captured the choices of the patients and promoted coordination of patient care out of hours. In 2015 Karen became the Clinical Director of St Helena Hospice in Colchester, and has a leadership role in the hospice strategy to promote equality of access to hospice care. In 2017 the project was shortlisted for the BMJ palliative care team of the year award.

Her talk will give practical examples of how data sources can be used creatively to drive improvement in End of Life care across a locality, addressing socioeconomic, geographic and diagnosis specific inequalities.

Karen was recently seen as Bananaman.

