



LEADERSHIP UPDATE: Our Path Forward

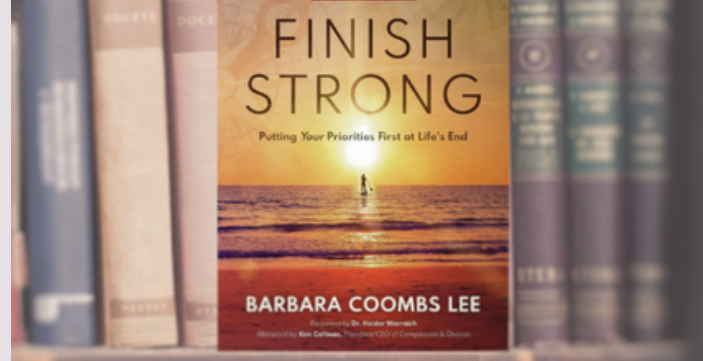


As you may know, Kim Callinan has stepped down as president and CEO after nearly a decade of leading our organization. We feel tremendous gratitude for Kim's impactful work, collaborating with passionate advocates, volunteers and donors, all of whom have contributed to progress toward Compassion & Choices' mission.

Our movement continues to grow, with interim CEO Kevin Diaz guiding our work while new leadership is established in order to build on our momentum.

[FULL STATEMENT](#)

FINISH STRONG: Join Book Series Discussion



Wednesday, October 23, at 6 p.m. PT join Compassion & Choices President Emerita and Senior Advisor Barbara Coombs Lee to discuss her book *Finish Strong: Putting Your Priorities First at Life's End*. Discussion topics include instructive stories, practical knowledge and aid in determining individual quality of life. Barbara emphasizes the importance of candor, weaving together themes of life review and affirmation of enduring values. This ongoing conversation aims to help participants create a comforting end-of-life journey while making crucial decisions about care.

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ENGAGING WEBINARS: Exciting Learning Opportunities

Train the Advocate 101: Learn about our LGBTQ+ Advance Care Planning Toolkit

Friday, October 18, at 3 p.m. ET join LGBTQ+ Engagement Director Osha Towers (they/them) for a walkthrough of our new LGBTQ+ Advance Care Planning Toolkit. Developed in partnership with SAGE, the nation's largest LGBTQ+ elders advocacy organization, this toolkit addresses specific end-of-life considerations unique to the LGBTQ+ people. This training will provide background and tools for those within and supporting the LGBTQ+ community. We invite all who are passionate about achieving health equity. Together we can be proud and prepared!

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On Demand: National Arts & Culture Summer Webinar Series

Rewatch the final webinar in our National Arts & Culture series today! Chief Engagement Officer Brandi Alexander is joined by Suzanna Tiapula, the Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander engagement lead, as they discuss end-of-life experiences within these communities. We encourage you to revisit this webinar and the other engaging discussions from our summer series to witness all the remarkable ways artists are using their talents to grow the compassionate end-of-life care movement.

[WATCH NOW](#)

On Demand: Legislative Roundup and Session Highlights

Review the latest post-legislative session update and roundup on our critical work to improve and expand end-of-life options moderated by Chief Strategy and Marketing Officer Mickey MacIntyre, joined by key members of our advocacy and outreach staff. This is a great chance to review our progress and wins.

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COLLABORATIVE SPANISH WEBINAR: Make Informed Decisions



This **Thursday, October 17, at 9:30 am ET**, join Compassion & Choices and the Latinx Task Force for a "Cara a Cara" webinar hosted as part of Hispanic Heritage Month. The event will address critical topics such as caregiving, dementia, navigating end-of-life decisions and more. Compassion & Choices Latino Engagement Manager Leslie Martinez Ramirez will speak alongside other experts and highlight how these issues affect Latino people. Don't miss this opportunity to empower yourself and your loved ones. *Please note: This webinar will be in Spanish.*

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CLINICAL COMMENTARIES: Living and Dying with Dementia



One in three Americans will be diagnosed with dementia. Though each person's experience is unique, certain challenges commonly arise as the condition progresses. People with advanced dementia, highlighting the importance of documenting healthcare and end-of-life wishes in advance. One way to do this is by recording your healthcare wishes using Compassion & Choices' interactive [Dementia Values and Priorities Tool](#). To learn more about the later stages of dementia, care options and how to prepare, [check out our latest blog](#).

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SUPPORT OUR MISSION: National Estate Planning Awareness Week



National Estate Planning Awareness Week (NEPAW) is approaching, and just as Compassion & Choices emphasizes the importance of advance directives, it's equally crucial that we take steps to support family members, assets and communities. NEPAW serves as a reminder that everyone — regardless of age or financial status — needs a plan. Including a legacy gift in your estate plan can continue to support our programs and services so everyone can finish strong.

[MAKE A FREE PLAN](#)

PARTNER WEBINAR: Compassionate Goals-of-Care



Compassionate Goals-of-Care Conversations is the third in our four-part series with the American Society on Aging providing insight on important end-of-life topics. This session focused on the components of a goals-of-care conversation, and tangible tools for supporting and facilitating them in your workplace or community. [Register here](#) to watch the recording before November 2, which qualifies you for one (1) complimentary continuing education credit. *Please note: You will be prompted to create a free ASA account or sign in using your membership credentials if applicable.*

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