Figure 15

Consider the aspects of palliative care listed in the figure to help set goals around advance care planning.

Aspects of Palliative Care

Manage cardiac and noncardiac symptoms

Support caregivers/loved ones

Advanced care planning

Goals of care discussions

Determine need for a palliative care specialist*

* For management of complex non-cardiac comorbid conditions (including psychosocial-spiritual distress), end of life symptom control, complicated advance care planning, disagreement between clinicians and patient/family, marked caregiver or family distress, hospice referral.