

# Exploring the Implementation Model of Spiritual Care through Purpose-Built Art

in Hospital

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# **TAIWAN**

- Capital: Taipei 25° 02′N 121° 38′E
- Population: 2022 estimate 23.2 million
- GDP (PPP): 2021 estimate Total \$1.40 trillion, Per capita \$59,398
- GDP (nominal): 2021 estimate Total US\$ 775 billion, Per capita \$33,011
- Life expectancy: 77 years (men) 84 years (women)
- Area Total 36,193 km2 (13,974 sq mi) (136th)





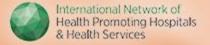


# **MMH In Brief**

- Taipei and Tamshui together qualify as a Medical Center with the longest history in Taiwan
- A health network through northern, western and eastern of Taiwan
- Intradepartmental cooperation to provide integrated, comprehensive care.
- dedicated to conducting innovative research for practical clinical application
- upholds a mission to train future medical professionals.





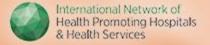


# **Background and objective**

Cancer patients have uncertainty about the disease progression and feel anxiety during chemotherapy and other cancer treatments. The purpose of this Implementation model is to enable patients to have **spiritual care** and **better awareness** of their spiritual needs.







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Through the exhibition of purpose-built art combined with **prayer QR codes** in hospital space and cancer wards, we provide a platform for patients to take care of spiritual needs by the guidance of spiritual care counsellor and listen to the prayer in QR code printed on the artwork.







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# **Description:**

It is truly wonderful to have companionship; having fellow travelers on life's journey is essential.

### QR code:

It is recorded by the Chaplain.





Spiritual Care counsellor uses **spiritual-based intervention** and **religious-based intervention** through
the artworks to provide the spiritual care to the cancer
patients.









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Facilitating opportunities for religious rituals and prayer based on patient's religious affiliation.





### **Spiritual based intervention:**

Sense of being truly present and listening to the other.

The **artwork** near bedside with four spiritual aspects to

- 1. encourage spiritual connection with self
- encourage spiritual connection with environment (e.g. nature, art)
- encourage spiritual connection with others (e.g. family, friends)
- 4. encourage spiritual connection with the highest power (e.g. God/sacred



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# Results

10 cancer patients investigated with mixed interventions (e.g. active listening, presence, and connectedness with the sacred, God, and art). We use the **Patient's Spiritual Well-Being Assessment Scale** (score range 15-60) designed by the MacKay Memorial Hospital to access the spiritual well-being of the 10 cancer patients.





Table I Contents and Rating of the Patient's Spiritual Well-Being Scale (PtSpWBS) in English

	Answer instructions: Please complete in the form based on your current status and your feelings.	Always	Often	Occasionally	Not at all
1	I am clearly aware of my inner feelings.	4	3	2	I
2	I feel calm within myself.	4	3	2	- 1
3	I feel I have enough security.	4	3	2	I
4	I can accept my illness.	4	3	2	- 1
5	I can accept the limitations of life.	4	3	2	ı
6	I could rely on my religious beliefs to help me during my illness.	4	3	2	1
7	During my illness, I believed God could help me.	4	3	2	- 1
8	I will help myself through religious rituals or actions when appropriate.	4	3	2	I
9	During the medical treatment, the hospital had professional caring staff to care for me.	4	3	2	- 1
10	During my illness, I was able to find the meaning of my life.	4	3	2	- 1
П	During my illness, I was accompanied at the right time.	4	3	2	1
12	During my illness, I never felt powerless.	4	3	2	1
13	I feel like I have the spiritual strength to face my illness.	4	3	2	1
14	I will change my negative thoughts when appropriate.	4	3	2	1
15	I feel my soul is at peace.	4	3	2	1

## The three components:

- 1. spiritual health
- 2. religion connection
- 3. spiritual awareness.

A PtSpWBS score ≤ 41 indicated the patient has poor spiritual well-being and needs spiritual intervention.





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### A short story:

- A defensive young female cancer patient.
- When she saw this picture at her bedside, she opened her heart.
- She told me that she blamed herself for not being able to be with her young daughter.
- I prayed for her and she cried. She told me that she is touched and regained the peace and strength.



# Conlusions/lessons learned

Spiritual care is usually abstract and distant for most patients, but the implementation model
of spiritual care through purpose-built art in hospital which can provide patients with more
resources, offering a tangible and accessible form of spiritual care.





# Thank you for your attention