Changing gears from death law to death literacy. Tweeting now from @KezNoo workshop on using the death literacy index. #21OPCC

@KezNoo From care & social networks in 2008, to Death Literacy Index today, translated into multiple languages. A fantastic journey @KezNoo & team have been on linking networks with death literacy with public health with social determinants. #21OPCC @PHPalCare

@KezNoo @PHPalCare @DeathLiteracy definition. Talks about the "death system" which is important to think about in #compassionatecommunities. The death system is where all the partners converge - funeral directors, florists, churches, schools - all those existing outside the health system #21OPCC

Death literacy is defined as a set of knowledge and skills that make it possible to gain access to understand and act upon end-of-life and death care options.

People, and communities, with high levels of death literacy have context-specific knowledge about the death system and the ability to put that knowledge into practice.

@KezNoo @PHPalCare @DeathLiteracy Here's something relevant published in @arenatweets Spring 2021. "Our Local Funeral Parlour" @rachelcogs reflects on the important place of Hollibone Funerals on an inner city shopping strip. Its value in the gentle cadence of life.
Action and activism has been important in the development of death literacy and the Death Literacy Index - not just academia! #21OPCC

More to come on the tool with respect to culturally and linguistically diverse communities. Rosemary Leonard will be presenting some research on Friday at #21OPCC -

People often want to know what happens next. Sometimes our knowledge in #palliativecare stops when the funeral directors take over. @KezNoo encourages us to work with progressive funeral directors - continuum into bereavement. #21OPCC

It may not feel like "our business" but we should make it our role in #palliativecare to understand that continuum. People may bounce back into bereavement care after poor experiences with funerals/burials. #21OPCC

The Death Literacy Index provides useful information on who you are talking to/working with. Gaps between the knowing and the doing arise through the DLI. #21OPCC
@KezNoo @PHPalCare @DeathLiteracy @arenatweets @rachelcogs So why use it? For research - create new knowledge, test it. Evaluation - of programs that involve #deathliteracy, did they work? Benchmarking - against national data, pre-post. To start community conversations - the most FUN way to use the DLI! #21OPCC

@KezNoo @PHPalCare @DeathLiteracy @arenatweets @rachelcogs The Death Literacy Index is for groups/populations. Not for use with individual clients/patients. Not for use in e.g. dignity therapy. #21OPCC

@KezNoo @PHPalCare @DeathLiteracy @arenatweets @rachelcogs Words to describe @KezNoo workshop on Death Literacy Index - "dramatic illustration of what we know and what we do" "enlightening" "like the idea of a death system thanks!" "lots to reflect on" "leaving inspired!"... Thanks Kerrie! From Kerrie - "have FUN with it!" #21OPCC

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