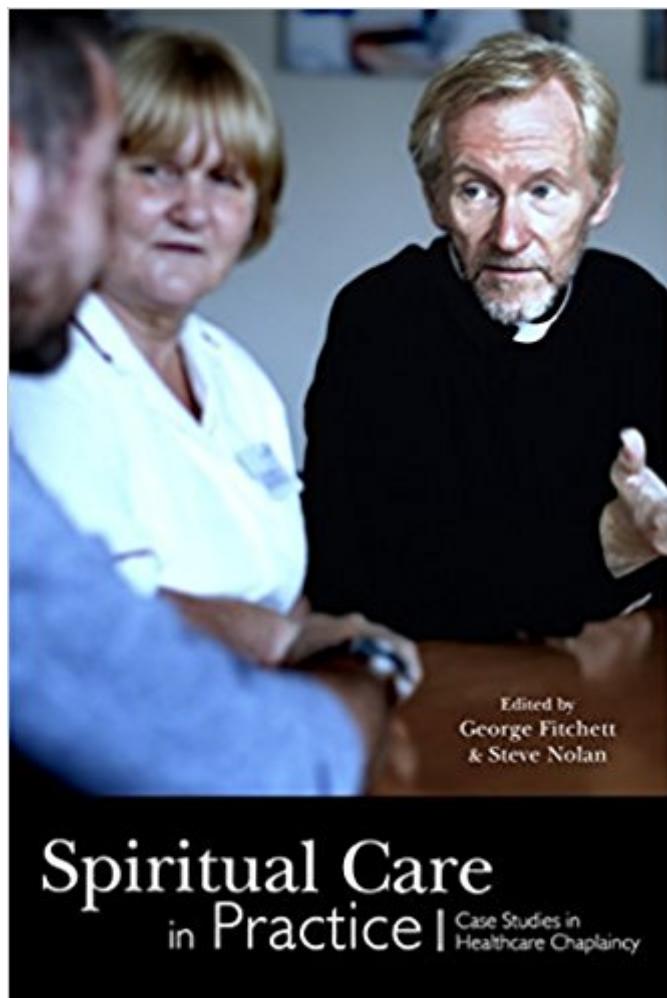


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# Spiritual Care In Practice: Case Studies In Healthcare Chaplaincy



## **Synopsis**

These diverse case studies make a compelling case for the importance of effective spiritual care in healthcare and provide unprecedented insight into the essential role of the chaplain within the healthcare team. Presented alongside critical reflections and responses from professionals within chaplaincy, psychology, psychiatry and nursing, they provide an honest and detailed look into how healthcare chaplains actually work with the people in their care and reveal the vital role of narrative and imagination in effective transformative practice. From a 16-year-old with a belief that God would enable a miraculous recovery from paralysis, to an African man with a history of psychosis and depression whose cultural belief in witches complicated his treatment, to a dying Jewish man, aggressive and isolated due to his traumatic life experiences, each case includes insight into the patient's needs and chaplain's perspectives, discussion of spiritual assessments and spiritual care interventions, and accounts of significant encounters and dialogues. The nine paediatric, psychiatric and palliative case studies and reflections in this ground-breaking book will enable chaplains to critically reflect on the spiritual care they provide and communicate their work more effectively, help healthcare professionals develop a clearer understanding of the care chaplains deliver, and provide an informed perspective for those who develop policy around spiritual care and need to make the case for chaplaincy services.

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book itself is a wonderful and insightful tool into the experiences of clinical chaplains dealing with a variety of issues. I found each of the four sections to be helpful within its own context and could be read independently. The sections' case studies are focused on Pediatrics, Psychiatric, Palliative Care, and Ethical Concerns. The book provides perspectives from those healthcare providers that work alongside chaplains and see their contributions to the healthcare environment, the patients and families.

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Chaplain Service loves this book! :)

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