

## **OBJECTIVES FOR WEDNESDAY SEMINARS**

## **Decision-making in Patients at Risk of Dying**

- 1. Understand the relevance of prognostic assessment and decision making in patients at risk of dying.
- 2. Consider prognosis in patients with chronic progressive diseases.
- 3. Appreciate prognostic uncertainty
- 4. Have a systematic way to carefully discuss decision making and patient preferences for treatments and goals for care.
- 5. Understand the requirement to ensure that decision making with patients is consistent with the current standard of medical care.
- 6. Know common types of errors in establishing goals of care, both in terms of risk of overtreatment and undertreatment, for patients admitted to a medical teaching unit.