SYMPOSIUM OBJECTIVES

- Convene experts across various disciplines including global health, health systems and palliative care to disseminate and discuss the evidence base and findings of the seminal report of the Lancet Commission on Global Access to Palliative Care and Pain Relief.

- Review and catalyze the research and implementation agenda resulting from the recommendations of the Commission’s report.

- Identify opportunities and future directions for regional and global collective action to achieve universal access to palliative care.

- Strengthen the work of the Commission’s Implementation Group and help develop concrete next steps for action.

- Contribute to building a platform for knowledge-exchange on lessons for scale-up and integration of palliative care into universal health coverage efforts.

- Through the Country Workshops that will take place on April 6th in the afternoon, contribute to national planning and develop specific projects.
Thursday, April 5, 2018

7:30 – 8:15 am  
**Refreshments and Registrations**  
Note: all Q&A will be done online and questions and comments will be posted as they come in

8:15 – 8:45 am  
**Opening Remarks and Welcome**  
Welcome:  
Julio Frenk, President of the University of Miami, Lancet Commissioner  
Ed Abraham, Dean of the Miller School of Medicine, CEO of UHealth  
Patient Voices Video

Video Message from WHO Director General:  
Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, World Health Organization  
Special opening performance by the Frost School of Music

8:45 – 9:05 am  
**Opening Address**  
Richard Horton, Editor in Chief, The Lancet

9:05 – 10:00 am  
**Key Findings and Overview of The Lancet Report: The Access Abyss in Palliative Care and Pain Relief – Burden and Response**  
Moderator: TBD  
Presenter: Felicia Knaul, Director, UM Institute for Advanced Study of the Americas, Chair of the Lancet Commission  
Commentators:  
Rifat Atun, Professor of Global Health Systems, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, Lancet Commissioner  
Kathy Foley, Weil Cornell Medical College, Lancet Commissioner

10:00 – 10:20 am  
**Coffee Break**

National planning and implementation

10:20 – 11:40 am  
**Strengthening National Health Systems for Integration of Palliative Care into Universal Health Coverage**  
Chair: Sharmila Mhatre, Deputy Director, Public Health Program, Open Society Foundations
Speakers:

Rifat Atun, Professor, Harvard HT Chan School of Public Health, Lancet Commissioner

Julio Frenk, President University of Miami, Former Minister of Health of Mexico, Lancet Commissioner

Commentators:

Silvana Luciani, Advisor, cancer prevention and control, Pan American Health Organization

Rocio Saenz, Former Minister of Health of Costa Rica and former Executive President, Caja Costarricense de Seguro Social, Lancet Commissioner

11:45 – 1:00 pm

Catalyzing Change: Lessons Learned from Human Rights Watch country studies
Moderator: Pascal Goldschmidt, Lancet Commissioner (TBC)

Speaker: Diederik Lohman, Director, Health and Human Rights Division, Human Rights Watch, Lancet Commissioner

Panel:
Zipporah Ali, Executive Director, Kenya Hospices and Palliative Care Association (Kenya)

Sushma Bhatnagar, Professor and Head of Anesthesiology, Pain and Palliative Care, Institute Rotary Cancer Hospital, President of the Indian Association for Palliative Care

Alejandro Mohar, Director General, Instituto Nacional de Cancerología, México

Viktoria Tymoshevska, Public Health Program Initiative Director, International Renaissance Foundation, Ukraine

1:00 – 1:45 pm

Networking Lunch

1:45 – 2:45 pm

Implementing Palliative Care in High-Income Countries: Lessons for Global Health
Chair: Dr. Andrew Gurman, Past President of the American Medical Association

Speakers:

Richard Harding, Herbert Dunhill Professor of Palliative Care & Rehabilitation, King's College London

John Mastrojohn, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization
Essential services: Operationalizing a package of palliative care and pain relief

2:45 – 4:00 pm

The Essential Package: DPC3, UHC, and Beyond

Chair: Lisa Stevens, Deputy Director of Planning & Operations, National Cancer Institute

Speakers:

Dean Jamison, Emeritus Professor of Global Health, University of Washington, Lancet Commissioner

Eric Krakauer, Director, International Programs, Harvard Medical School Center for Palliative Care, Lancet Commissioner

Commentators:

Mary Gospodarowicz, Medical Director, Cancer Program, Princess Margaret Hospital, Lancet Commissioner

Dr. Huda Huijer, Professor and Director, Hariri School of Nursing, American University of Beirut, Lancet Commissioner

Gilberto Lopes, Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center

4:00 - 4:15 pm

Coffee Break

4:15 – 5:30 pm

Delivering Care to At-Risk Populations

Moderator: TBD

Speakers:

Julia Downing, Director of Education and Research, International Children's Palliative Care Network, Lancet Study Group Member

Joan Marston, Global Ambassador, International Children's Palliative Care Network

Judy Salerno, President, New York Academy of Medicine, Lancet Commissioner

Panel:

Afsan Bhadelia, HSPH Health Systems Researcher, Lancet Study Group Member
Mychelle Farmer, Chair, NCD Child (TBC)

Christian Ntizimira, Rwanda Hospice and Palliative Organization, Lancet Study Group Member

5:30 – 5:45 pm  Summary of Day 1, Agenda for Day 2

5:45pm  Networking Reception at Conference Venue

Friday, April 6, 2018

7:45 – 8:15 am  Refreshments and Registrations

Global and regional collective action

8:15 – 9:30 am  The Global Pain Crisis and the Opioid Epidemic

Moderator: Kathy Foley, Lancet Commissioner

Speakers:
Jim Cleary, Director, Pain and Policy Studies Group, WHO Collaborating Center for Pain Policy and Palliative Care at the University of Wisconsin Carbone Cancer Center, Lancet Commissioner

Lukas Radbruch, Chair of Palliative Medicine, University of Bonn; Chair – Board of Directors, International Association for Hospice and Palliative Care, Lancet Commissioner

Hansel Tookes, Assistant Professor, Director, IDEA Exchange, University of Miami

Special musical performance organized by IDEA Exchange
Global Health Policies: Establishing Multi-Institutional Mechanisms to Close the Access Abyss

Chair: Felicia Knaul, Director, UM Institute for Advanced Study of the Americas, Chair of the Lancet Commission

Speakers:
Sir George Alleyne, Director Emeritus, Pan American Health Organization, Lancet Commissioner

Tim Evans, Senior Director of Health, Nutrition and Population, World Bank Group

Julio Frenk, President University of Miami, Former Minister of Health of Mexico, Lancet Commissioner

Ambassador David Johnson, Member, International Narcotics Control Board (TBC)

Coffee Break

11:00 – 11:15 am

11:15 – 12:30 pm

The Role of Global and Regional Associations and Networks

Moderator and presenter: Liliana De Lima, Executive Director, International Association for Hospice and Palliative Care, Lancet Commissioner

Panel:
Julia Downing, Director of Education and Research, International Children’s Palliative Care Network and Member, Worldwide Hospice Palliative Care Alliance, Lancet Study Group Member

Cynthia Goh, Chair, Asia Pacific Hospice Palliative Care Network, Lancet Commissioner

Emmanuel Luyirika, Executive Director, African Palliative Care Association, Lancet Study Group Member

Christoph Ostgathe, Professor of Palliative Medicine, Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg, Germany

Tania Pastrana, Chair, Latin American Palliative Care Association and Member, Worldwide Hospice Palliative Care Alliance (TBC)

Dingle Spence, Caribbean Palliative Care Association, Lancet Study Group Member
Future directions

12:30 – 1:00 am  A Call to Action: The Miami Declaration on Pain and Palliative Care
Richard Horton and Felicia Knaul

1:00 – 1:15 pm  Closing Remarks

****PUBLIC SYMPOSIUM ENDS****

1:30 – 5:30 pm  Country workshops (by invitation)