Curative, Palliative & Hospice Care Resources

National Guardianship Association
National Guardianship Association a comprehensive site for information and resources on all aspects of guardianship care including ethical principles and standards of practice.  https://www.guardianship.org

Hospice and Palliative Care

National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization   Start Here!
The National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization (NHPCO) is the oldest and largest nonprofit membership organization representing hospice and palliative care programs and professionals in the United States. Their website contains a comprehensive amount of information and resources on all the elements of hospice and palliative care, with many helpful links to related organizations and relevant articles.  https://www.nhpco.org

American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine
American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine is the professional organization for physicians specializing in hospice and palliative medicine. Membership is also open to nurses and other health care providers who are committed to improving the quality of life of patients and families facing life-threatening or serious conditions.   http://aahpm.org

California Hospice and Palliative Care Association
California Hospice and Palliative Care Association is a membership association that promotes and strengthens the delivery of hospice care for terminally ill patients and their families through education and advocacy.  http://www.calhospice.org

getpaliativecare.org
Online directory, maintained by the Center to Advance Palliative Care, offering resources and information in the field of palliative care.

Growth House
Growth House provides education about life-threatening illness and end-of-life care. Their mission is to improve the quality of compassionate care through public education, for people who are dying. Their powerful search engine gives access to an extensive collection of reviewed resources for end-of-life care.   http://www.growthhouse.org

Hospice Foundation of America
The HFA places a strong emphasis on education and grief support, offering a broad array of end-of-life care resources for professionals, patients, survivors and caregivers on their website. There are numerous articles as well as many links to register for a large assortment of live programs and webinars.   http://hospicefoundation.org
Supportive Care Matters
A nonprofit organization that promotes and focuses on palliative care service expansion, research, advocacy, and public education. https://www.supportivecarematters.org

End of Life Podcasts
Benton Hospice Service End-of-Life Podcast
A series of podcasts featuring interviews with a hospice patient, hospice employees, physicians, and a hospice volunteer that seeks to answer the following question: What can the experiences of patients at the end of their lives and the people who love them and care for them tell us about what is important in living and dying? http://bentonhospice.podbean.com

Advanced Planning
Caring Connections
A program of the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization, the site provides free resources and information to help people make decisions about end-of-life care and services. They offer a free multi-lingual HelpLine, a database of state-specific advance directives, and feature helpful articles on topics of interest for patients, caregivers, and survivors. http://www.caringinfo.org

Compassion & Choices
An organization that promotes patient choices in medical treatments including Medical Aid in Dying within the states that this is a legal option. Many forms and resources are available on this site. https://www.compassionandchoices.org

National Health Care Decision Day
The NHDD has created resources and an excellent website to encourage patients to explore their options regarding the preparation of an advance directive. This site offers information about advance directives as well as links to worksheets, tool kits, and legal information. https://www.nhdd.org

POLST Paradigm Program
Physician Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment helps to ensure that the treatment plans and wishes of seriously ill patients are honored by their medical providers. The website offers resources and information on how to identify existing programs or how to develop new ones, as well as offer tools and resources regarding the POLST Paradigm nationwide. http://polst.org