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Amanda has presented at regional and national conferences on children's spirituality and pediatric palliative care patients' perspectives on death. She is clinically trained in Godly Play, a Montessori-style spiritual care intervention, and utilizes this practice alongside other forms of developmental spiritual play in her day-to-day work. Amanda is committed to research literacy within the field of pediatric chaplaincy and is currently serving on the national Pediatric Chaplains Network Research Committee and engaging in writing for publication in partnership with the Pediatric Spiritual Care Research Network.