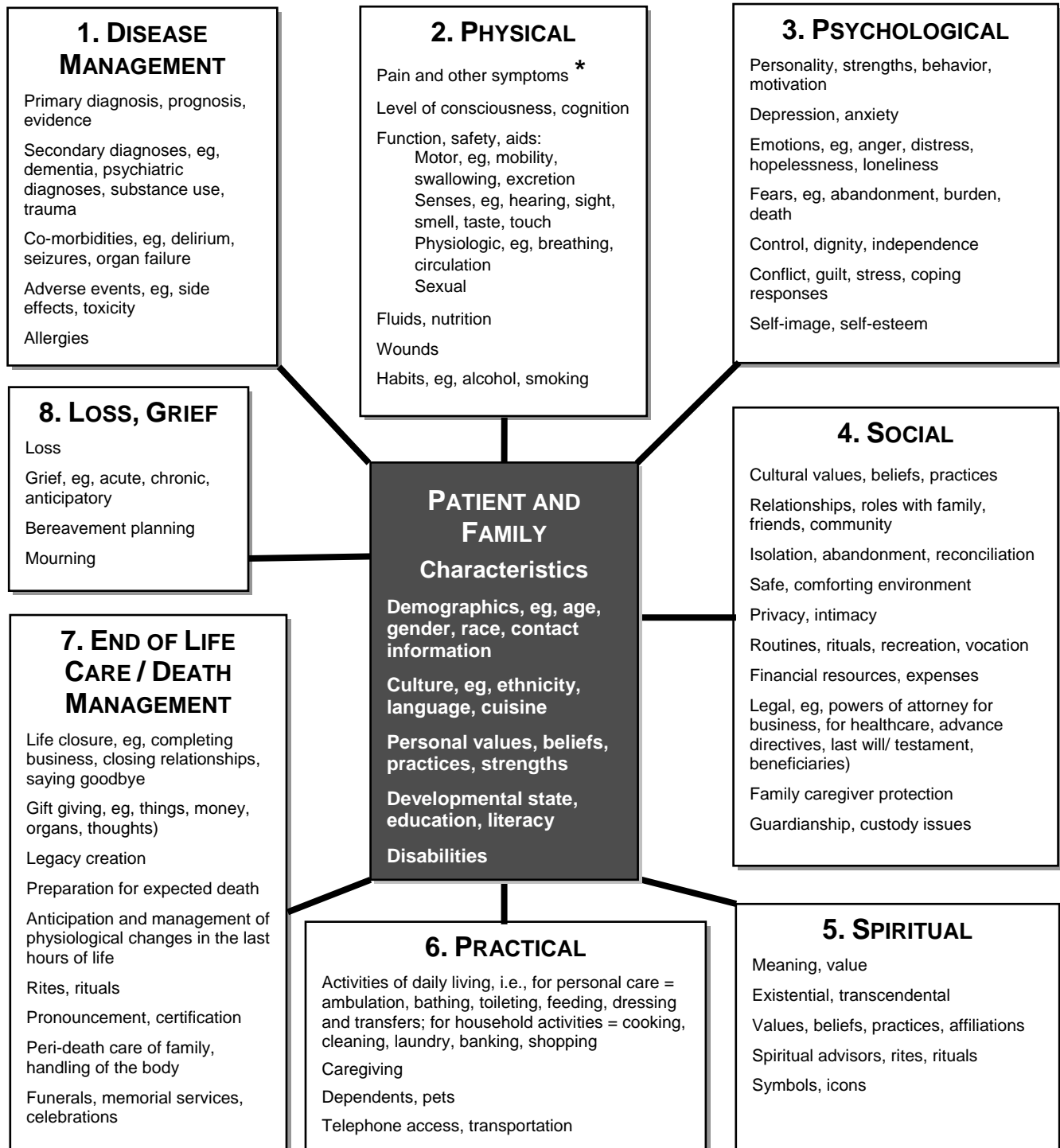


Figure #1: Domains & Issues Associated with Illness and Bereavement

Patients and families face multiple issues during illness and bereavement that cause suffering. These issues can be grouped into 8 domains.



* Other common symptoms include, but are not limited to:

Cardio-respiratory: breathlessness, cough, edema, hiccups, apnea, agonal breathing patterns

Gastrointestinal: nausea, vomiting, constipation, obstipation, bowel obstruction, diarrhea, bloating, dysphagia, dyspepsia

Oral conditions: dry mouth, mucositis

Skin conditions: dry skin, nodules, pruritus, rashes

General: agitation, anorexia, cachexia, fatigue, weakness, bleeding, drowsiness, effusions (pleural, peritoneal), fever/chills, incontinence, insomnia, lymphoedema, myoclonus, odor, prolapse, sweats, syncope, vertigo

Figure #2: Process of Providing Care

During each therapeutic encounter, the process for providing care involves six essential and several basic steps that guide the interaction between caregivers, and the patient and family. While these steps do not need to occur in any specific order, each one must be completed during each encounter.

