**End-of-Life Services: Strengths and Next Steps**

**Strengths I see in my congregation’s ability to serve those at the end of life and encourage advance planning include:**

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**Next steps I would like to pursue to increase our ability to serve in these areas include:**

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**Sample Next Steps for Leaders**

Learn about my faith tradition’s position or policies on end-of-life issues.

Learn more about hospice and palliative care programs in my community.

Address the issues that provoke my discomfort around death and dying.

Talk with a loved one about my wishes for end-of-life care.

Complete an advance directive document.

Talk with my doctor about my wishes; give him/her my advance directive.

Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Sample Next Steps for Communities**

Explore ways to promote values-based discussion around end-of-life care within my congregation.

Include the *Decisions* series as bulletin or newsletter inserts (*Decisions* articles available from www.coalitionccc.org).

Invite a XXX speaker to present on advance care planning to my congregation.

Ask a staff person or lay member to lead a *Talking It Over* discussion group (facilitator’sguide available from www.coalitionccc.org).

Sponsor a hands-on workshop where members of my congregation can complete their Advance Healthcare Directives.

Develop a special ministry that cares for those who are chronically or seriously ill.

Plan a “Dying Well” educational series for my congregation.

Put together an advance planning kit for members of my congregation.

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