Buddhist Chaplaincy: 
4 Domains of Competency

**BUDDHIST SPIRITUAL CARE DOMAIN:** *The chaplain is able to...*

1. Describe how providing spiritual care is a Buddhist path to awakening
2. Explain 3-5 Buddhist teachings relevant to spiritual care
3. Articulate multiple elements of a Buddhist approach
4. Demonstrate spiritual leadership

**SPIRITUAL CARE SKILLS DOMAIN:** *The chaplain is able to...*

1. Establish, deepen, and conclude spiritual care relationships
2. Employ a range of spiritual care skills for the well-being of others
3. Demonstrate emotional availability, humility, appropriate self-disclosure, and compassionate presence
4. Assess and address the spiritual strengths and needs of those served
5. Provide spiritual care that respects and incorporates diversity and difference

**SPIRITUAL FORMATION DOMAIN:** *The chaplain is able to...

1. Describe their spiritual formation and identity
2. Articulate their dharmology of care
3. Evaluate and address their strengths and limitations in regards to service to others
4. Understand the impact of their attitudes, values, and assumptions on others
5. Demonstrate humility, restraint, and respect towards others
6. Attend to their own physical, emotional, and spiritual well-being

**RELIGION & SPIRITUALITY DOMAIN:** *The chaplain is able to...

1. Provide religious/spiritual resources
2. Incorporate an understanding of spiritual development
3. Facilitate spiritual reflection
4. Demonstrate a working knowledge of multiple religious beliefs, ethics, and spiritual practices
5. Maintain collaborative relationships with various religious groups and organizations
6. Facilitate the observance of spiritual or religious practices and rituals