Use of religious coping in Polish parents of children with cancer

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ABSTRACT

The authors presented the role of religion coping in Polish parents of children with cancer. They emphasized that religion is the very life of life, its light and its basis in many cultures around the world, as in Poland. The religious coping is often used by Polish parents of children with cancer; however, the results are inconsistent. The authors suggest that comprehensive, randomized, controlled and multidisciplinary studies including oncologists, psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, and theologues should be conducted about the effects of religious coping on physical, social, mental and spiritual health of both children with cancer and their parents.

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