

# Guide to the Edward F. Dobihal, Jr. Papers

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**CALL NUMBER:** MS 1683

**CREATOR:** Dobihal, Edward F., 1927-

**TITLE:** Edward F. Dobihal, Jr. papers

**DATES:** 1964-2005

**BULK DATES:** 1971-1973

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 6.06 linear feet (13 boxes)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The papers consist of scattered correspondence, minutes, reports, writings and audiocassettes primarily documenting Edward Dobihal's involvement with, and the early administrative history of, Connecticut Hospice, Inc. These papers form part of the Contemporary Medical Care and Health Policy Collection.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box  
f. folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Edward F. Dobihal, Jr., 1995, 1996, 1999, 2001, 2002, and 2006.

## Conditions Governing Access

While this collection is mainly open, material in box 2 of Accession 1996-M-128 is closed until January 1, 2057.

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## Biographical / Historical

Reverend Edward F. Dobihal, Jr., received his B.A. from American University in 1949, his B.D. from Drew Theological Seminary in 1952, and his Ph.D. from Drew University in 1965. Prior to his arrival at Yale, he served as pastor of the Lafayette Methodist Church in Jersey City, New Jersey, and as chaplain at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Washington, D.C. He was chaplain at Yale-New Haven Hospital from 1964 to 1967, and from 1967 to 1990, was director of the department of religious ministries in the hospital, and associate clinical professor and clinical professor of pastoral care at Yale Divinity School. Thereafter he served as pastoral consultant to the Yale School of Nursing and to the department of religious ministries in Yale-New Haven Hospital. For many years he specialized in care for the dying and, in 1971, was instrumental in the founding of Connecticut Hospice, Inc., the first hospice established in the United States. He was the first chairman of the board of directors of the hospice and later was made an honorary lifetime member of the board

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## Scope and Contents

The papers consist of scattered correspondence, minutes, reports, and writings primarily documenting Edward Dobihal's involvement with, and the early administrative history of, Connecticut Hospice, Inc. These papers form part of the Contemporary Medical Care and Health Policy Collection

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## Arrangement

The papers are arranged in by accession, alphabetically thereunder.

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## Collection Contents

### Accession 1995-M-111: Original Accession, 1970-1982

| Connecticut Hospice, Inc. |  |                                     |
|---------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|
| b. 1, f. 1                | General  | 1971-1972, 1978-1979, 1982, undated |
| b. 1, f. 2                | Budget/Funding   | 1971, 1973                          |
| b. 1, f. 3                | Committee A - Hospice Planners   | 1971, undated                       |
| b. 1, f. 4                | Newsletters  | 1973-1975, 1977-1978, 1980, 1982    |
| b. 1, f. 5                | Philosophy statement   | 1971                                |
| b. 1, f. 6                | Regional Hospice Development Program - progress report and program plan  | 1973                                |
| b. 1, f. 7                | Staff  | 1971, 1973, 1975, 1980              |
| b. 1, f. 8                | Steering committee   | 1971                                |
| b. 1, f. 9                | Structure committee  | 1971                                |
| Task forces               |  |                                     |
| b. 1, f. 10               | Patient Care   | 1972                                |
| b. 1, f. 11               | Professional Relations   | 1972-1973, undated                  |
| b. 1, f. 12               | Research   | 1972                                |
| b. 1, f. 13               | Patient care   | 1972, 1976, undated                 |
| b. 1, f. 14               | St. Christopher's Hospice  | 1970-1971                           |
| b. 1, f. 15               | United States Senate - Committee on Aging [includes Dobihal's testimony] | 1972                                |

**Accession 1996-M-128: Additional material**

|                |   |                 |
|----------------|---|-----------------|
| b. 1, f. 1     | Articles about Dobihal  | 1979            |
|                | Connecticut Hospice, Inc.   |                 |
| b. 1, f. 2     | General   | Circa 1971-1994 |
| b. 2, f. 13    | Employee grievance<br>Material is restricted until January 1, 2057. | 1981            |
| b. 1, f. 3     | Site plans  | 1974            |
| b. 1, f. 4-6   | St. Christopher's Hospice [interviews with staff]                   | undated         |
|                | Writings on hospice care  |                 |
| b. 1, f. 7     | General   | Circa 1972-1981 |
| b. 1, f. 8     | Children  | 1966-1978       |
| b. 1, f. 9     | Dobihal, Edward   | 1976-1980       |
| b. 1, f. 10-11 | Saunders, Cecily  | 1965-1988       |
| b. 1, f. 12    | Slides  | undated         |

**Accession 2000-M-082: Additional material**

|             |  |               |
|-------------|--|---------------|
|             | Connecticut Hospice, Inc.  |               |
| b. 1, f. 1  | Groundbreaking   | 1977, undated |
| b. 1, f. 2  | Slides [includes notes]  | undated       |
| b. 1, f. 3  | Edward F. Dobihal, Jr., Lecture on Religion and Health [brochure]                          | undated       |
| b. 1, f. 4  | Hospice Institute of Education Training and Research, Inc.                                 | 1980          |
| b. 1, f. 5  | Hospice [notes and taped interview with unidentified woman regarding unidentified hospice] | undated       |
| b. 1, f. 6  | National Hospice Organization  | 1986          |
|             | St. Christopher's Hospice  |               |
| b. 1, f. 7  | General  | 1971, undated |
| b. 1, f. 8  | Report [by Dobihal; tape]  | undated       |
| b. 1, f. 9  | Photographs  | undated       |
| b. 1, f. 10 | Slides   | 1995, undated |

**Accession 2002-M-034: Additional material**

| Citizens Concerned for Compassionate Care (CCCC) |   |                     |
|--|---|---------------------|
| b. 1, f. 1                                       | General [includes photographs of meeting on 1999 Sep 16]                      | 1999-2000           |
|  | Audiocassettes of meetings  | 1999                |
| b. 1A  | Hospice move?<br><i>1 Audiocassette</i>                                       | 1999 September<br>6 |
| b. 1B  | Open meeting (tape one)<br><i>1 Audiocassette</i>                             | 1999 December<br>5  |
| b. 1C  | Open meeting (tape two)<br><i>1 Audiocassette</i>                             | 1999 December<br>5  |
| b. 2   | Topographical maps [of original site of hospice in Branford, Connecticut]     |                     |
| Connecticut Hospice, Inc.                        |   |                     |
| b. 3, f. 3                                       | Award of distinction  | 1997                |
| b. 3, f. 4-6                                     | Clinical pastoral education committee   | 1997-1998           |
| b. 3, f. 7                                       | Clinical pastoral education student handbook                                  | 1997-1998           |
| b. 3, f. 8-9                                     | Dissertation "Bereavement and the Church's Ministry"                          | 1964                |
| b. 3, f. 10                                      | Snoke, Albert and Parnie [memorial services materials, including photographs] | 1973-1988           |



## Accession 2002-M-062: Additional material

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|-------|---|------------|
| b.1   | <i>As Long as There is Life—</i> "A Story about Pat, Dick, Rick, and Mark Forest and the Hospice Home Care Team Who Shared Their Lives" (produced by Alberta Jacoby)<br><i>1 Film Reel (16mm)</i> | 1980       |
| b.1-D | Duplicating master<br><i>1 Videocassette (VHS)</i>  |            |
| b.1U  | Use copy<br><i>1 Videocassette (VHS)</i>  |            |
| b.2   | "Study and Discussion Guide" which accompanies the film; a Family Life Film Award presented by the National Council on Family Relations<br>English  | Circa 1980 |

**Accession 2007-M-001: Additional material**

| Citizens Concerned for Compassionate Hospice Care (CCCHC) |  |                       |
|---|--|-----------------------|
| b. 1, f. 1-5  | General  | 1971-2001,<br>undated |
| b. 1, f. 6  | Donations  | 1999, undated         |
| b. 1, f. 7-8  | Letters etc., arranged by date [original folder title] | 1991-2001,<br>undated |
| Connecticut Hospice, Inc.                                 |  |                       |
| b. 2, f. 9-14   | General  | 1974-2005,<br>undated |
| b. 2, f. 15   | Clippings  | 1999-2000,<br>undated |

## **Selected Search Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### **Subjects**

Hospice care  
Hospices (Terminal care)  
Terminal care

### **Names**

Dobihal, Edward F., 1927-

### **Corporate Body**

Connecticut Hospice