

Discussion Guide – Quarter 1 - 2020

Compassionomics: The Revolutionary Scientific Evidence that Caring Makes a Difference

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In *Compassionomics: The Revolutionary Scientific Evidence that Caring Makes a Difference*, physician scientists Stephen Trzeciak and Anthony Mazzarelli uncover the eye-opening data that compassion could be a wonder drug for the 21st century.

Now, for the first time, a rigorous review of the science - coupled with captivating stories from the front lines of medicine - demonstrates that human connection in health care matters in astonishing ways. Never before has all the evidence been synthesized together in one place.



Discussion questions:

- 1. Does compassion really matter?
- 2. Can human connections have a positive impact on health care?
- 3. Have you witnessed a situation where compassion had an impact on healing?
- 4. Do you believe compassion can have an economic impact on health care costs?
- 5. How can this concept help prevent burnout in our health care professionals?
- 6. What barriers within health care today could make it difficult for health care professionals to practice

"compassionomics" with their patients?

- 7. Do you agree with the concepts presented in this book? If not, why?
- 8. Would you recommend this book to others in the health care profession?