Course Faculty

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Barb Eddy, MN, NP, CHPCN(C); Family Nurse Practitioner, Downtown Community Health Center, Vancouver Coastal Health

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Romayne Gallagher, MD, CCFP, FCFP; Head, Palliative Care, Family and Community Medicine, Providence Health, Vancouver

Val Geddes, MD, CCFP; GP in Oncology, BC Cancer Agency, Vancouver Centre

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Linda Hunt, MSW, RSW; Social Work Consultant, Vancouver Home Hospice Palliative Care, Vancouver Coastal Health

Christine Jones, MD, CCFP, FCFP; Palliative Care Physician, Victoria Hospice

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Douglas McGregor, MB, ChB, FRCP(UK); MRCPG; Medical Director and Palliative Physician, Victoria Hospice (Course Co-Chair)

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Michael Negraeff, MD, FRCPC, FFPMANZCA; Anesthesiologist, Pain Medicine Specialist, Vancouver General Hospital

Pat Porterfield, RN, MSN, CHPCN(C); Palliative Care, iPanel Co-Investigator

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Hal Siden, MD, MHSc, FRCPC, DABP; Medical Director, Canuck Place Children’s Hospice, Co-Director, Integrated Pain Services BC Children’s Hospital, Vancouver

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Moe Youn, MD, CCFP; Palliative Care Fellow, UBC

Previous course participants’ responses to “How will this change your practice?”

“I have increased confidence in my own abilities”

“Better advanced planning and early symptom management for pts. with chronic medical diseases”

“Better management of nausea/vomiting”

“Much improved knowledge of various drugs, medications, of actions, dosing & side effects”

“Won’t be so scared/reluctant to have the difficult conversations”

“Provide support to staff & family in palliative situations especially re: dyspnea, pain, delirium”

“Clariﬁed ethical issues/strategies for palliative sedation”
Overview

The course covers basic and some advanced aspects of palliative care. It provides an excellent foundation in palliative care for physicians, family practice residents, pharmacists and nurses from hospitals, hospices, long term care facilities and home and community settings.

Course faculty includes health care professionals from Victoria Hospice and professionals from Lower Mainland palliative care programs and other areas.

Course Objectives

■ To increase awareness of and sensitivity to death and dying issues
■ To increase understanding, skills and knowledge in order to apply a palliative approach to both cancer and non-cancer disease
■ To increase specific medical and nursing skills in the assessment and management of distressing symptoms associated with advanced disease
■ To increase understanding of psychosocial and spiritual needs of patients and families including grief and bereavement
■ To enhance understanding of the role of the interdisciplinary team in palliative care

This program has been accredited for up to 31.5 MAINPRO M1 credits and up to 31.5 AMA PRA Category 1 study credits.

MAIN PRO-C credits can also be earned by conducting an evidence-based practice reflection exercise after the course.

Course Content

Course content includes

■ Introduction to Death and Dying
■ Ethical Aspects of End of Life Care
■ Palliative Approach for Non-Cancer Disease
■ Pain Assessment and Etiology
■ Basic and Advanced Pain Management
■ Gastrointestinal Issues
■ Neurological Issues
■ Respiratory Issues
■ Palliative Sedation
■ Palliative Emergencies
■ Pediatric Care
■ Care and Death at Home
■ Grief and Bereavement
■ Knowing What We Bring to the Bedside
■ Prognosis

This course is designed for physicians, nurses and pharmacists. Other interested health professionals may contact the Manager of Education Services brenda.pengelly@viha.ca

Course Fee

The early bird fee for this course is $995 and after February 3, the fee will be $1025. The course fee includes registration, a copy of the 4th edition of the Medical Care of the Dying textbook, additional materials, lunch on Monday and Friday and refreshment breaks.

Location

The course will be held March 3–7, 2014 from 8:30–4:30 at the Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel.

Accommodation

A block of rooms is being held at the Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel until February 14, 2014 at a daily conference rate of $114.00 single/double.

If you want to stay there, please contact the hotel directly, identify yourself as a participant in this course, and reserve your room. Complimentary airport shuttle available.

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Teaching Format

Course textbook (Medical Care of the Dying 4th edition, 2006)

■ Topic reviews and discussions
■ Multimedia presentations
■ Large and small group discussions
■ Case-based problem solving sessions

To Register

To register please go to www.regonline.ca/pcmrichmondmarch2014.

Victoria Hospice will send your official confirmation letter and the textbook for pre-reading when we receive your payment in full.

Cancellation and Refund Policy

The registration fee of $995, less a $100 non-refundable deposit, will be returned on written notification of cancellation until February 3, 2014. After February 3, no refunds will be issued. However, an organization may send an alternate participant if arrangements are confirmed with Victoria Hospice prior to the course.

“I would be honored to have any of the presenters active in my care if I was palliative. They seemed knowledgeable, compassionate and had a sense of humor.”

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