

Inaugural Celebration of World Hospice and Palliative care Day in Barbados and surrounding educational activities

The Barbados Association of Palliative Care and the University of the Southern Caribbean with the Technical Support of The National Advisory Committee on Chronic Pain Management-The Ministry of Health Barbados are facilitating a 4 day Palliative care and Pain Management educational initiative on the island of Barbados from Oct 12-15th.

On Monday the 12th of October the Shell Suite at the University of the West Indies will be the site of training for volunteers, professionals and non-professional care-givers (including persons who care for the elderly or persons with dementia). This training is provided out of recognition of the fact that a large portion of palliative care is delivered by family members and other civil society groups. Core themes in the palliative care approach will be taught and discussed however the language will be accessible to lay- persons.

From the 13th-15th of October health professionals from around the region who have experience in and dedication to health care using a palliative care approach are invited to increase their skills by attending a two day intensive course in the palliative care approach. The course covers the CORE Pallium curriculum- which is built on Palliative Care competencies for Family Medicine in Canada. The intensive course is followed by a conversion day to facilitator status. It is intended that after this course persons will return to their respective territory or institution and facilitate further education in palliative care. The goal is to increase the capacity to deliver general palliative care across the region. This course has 25 spaces only and persons are invited to register immediately since available slots are filling quickly.

The course is being made available at a cost of 250 USD PER participant.

Another important activity for this week will be the National Church Service on Saturday, October 10, 2015 at the Breadth of Life Seventh-day Adventist Church. This national event is open to all persons interested in supporting the palliative care initiative in Barbados.

Please use the contact details below for more information or return of electronic registration forms:-

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