

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

We can tailor education and training to your needs for professionals, volunteers, clients and families about palliative care and Motor Neurone Disease. Relevant topics include:

- **What is Motor Neurone Disease?**
- **Symptom management**
How can palliative care assist people?
Issues for professionals assisting people with MND?
- **End of life decisions**
Advanced care directives and legal issues
- **The multi-disciplinary team**
Care co-ordination
Debriefing and support
- **Grief and loss**
Psychological, emotional and spiritual care

Also have a look at our website on www.smrpalliativecare-consortium.org.au

In Australia approximately 1,300 people are suffering from the effects of MND.

More than one person dies from MND each day and another person is diagnosed.

Palliative care can provide specialist services-a range of care to enhance quality of life and comfort and support for MND clients and their families.

MOTOR NEURONE DISEASE SHARED CARE WORKER

Strengthening Palliative Care for people living with Motor Neurone Disease



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MOTOR NEURONE DISEASE

Motor Neurone Disease is an uncommon degenerative disorder of the motor neurones which leads to progressive paralysis of cranial and skeletal muscles.

The condition is incurable and leads to death within a few years of diagnosis.

Early symptoms may include:

- Stumbling,
- Weakened grip,
- Slurring of speech or swallowing difficulties
- Emotional volatility
- Cramps and muscle twitching

Every person living with MND is unique in:

- Symptoms
- Presentation
- Progression

The person usually remains unaffected in:

- Intellect and memory
- Sight, hearing, smell, taste and sensation.

PALLIATIVE CARE FUNDING SUPPORT

Motor Neurone Disease Victoria provides funding for palliative care services to supplement the services and care to people with MND. Funding is available for both inpatient and community palliative care settings.

Palliative care services provide:

- A range of specialist services and support to clients and their families to enhance quality of life
- Early referral facilitates planned care and maximum client involvement in decision-making.

Contact the Motor Neurone Disease Victoria for information or the contact details for the MND Shared Care Worker in your region.

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The MND Shared Care Worker can assist with:

- Education and training
- Information and resources
- Access to skilled professionals with expertise in palliative care and MND
- Specialist knowledge and experience
- Access to funding where eligible
- Debriefing and support
- Networking to create better outcomes

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