

Background and Introduction

Calvary Health Care Bethlehem is part of the national organization Little Company of Mary Health Care, a service of the Sisters of the Little Company of Mary who have been providing specialist palliative care since 1982 and is among the largest service providers in Victoria. As such it has a strong history in providing quality education for patients, carers, other health professionals and the local community. We have collaborative partnerships with several surrounding universities.

The course is a vocational level course for Allied Health Workers and Registered Nurses Division 1 & 2



Participants will exit the program with a nationally recognised Statement of Attainment at Certificate IV level (Course code CHCPA02A)



Who Should Apply?

- ◆ Registered Nurses - Division 1 & 2 currently working in palliative care, cancer care, aged care and other clinical specialties where they have contact with those with a life limiting progressive illness and / or normal ageing process.

Course Objectives

The program covers four major topic over 8 weeks, those participants attending 2 full day workshops and completing all assessment tasks will receive a nationally endorsed Statement of Attainment at Certificate IV level. This statement may be used for credit purposes when undertaking associated study at TAFE or University or as evidence of a specialty subject added to an existing qualification. Course aims to:

- ◆ Introduce participants to the notion of critical thinking and or enhance existing skills in critical thinking
- ◆ Explore current issues in palliative care
- ◆ Develop communication skills
- ◆ Promote reflection on clinical practice



Course Dates 2010

Workshop Times: 0900 - 1700

Two courses offered in 2010

May or September

Workshop 1 May 11 or Sept 21

- ◆ Palliative Care Philosophy
- ◆ Symptom Management

Workshop 2 June 1 or Oct 12

- ◆ Communication in Palliative Care
- ◆ Issues of Grief and Loss
- ◆ Spirituality

Cost: External Applicants \$400.00 (GST inclusive)
 CHCB Staff \$200.00 (GST inclusive)

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