

Quesnel & District Hospice Palliative Care Association



Constitution

1. The name of the Society is the Quesnel & District Hospice Palliative Care Association.
2. **The Purposes of the Society:**
 - 2.1 Provide coordinated community Hospice Palliative Care services for those persons living with a life threatening illness and with bereavement in accordance with the standards of the Canadian Palliative Care Association.
 - 2.2 Work in conjunction with Northern Health in Quesnel, including G.R. Baker Memorial Hospital, Dunrovin Park Lodge, Home and Community Care, and the community at large.
 - 2.3 Provide bereavement services to those in need regardless of cause of death.
 - 2.4 Recruit and train volunteers to assist with Palliative Care and Bereavement services.
 - 2.5 Provide leadership and education in the study, assessment and improvement of palliative and bereavement care in the community.
 - 2.6 Increase public understanding and awareness of the services provided by the Society.
 - 2.7 Seek sources of funding to promote the purposes of the Society.
 - 2.8 Work in conjunction and cooperation with Northern Health, government, religious, community and private organizations, to promote the common interests and goals of the Society.
 - 2.9 Ensure the maintenance of high quality services in Palliative Care and in Bereavement.

3. The philosophy of the Society.

The Association believes in the right of all persons to receive consistent physical, emotional, and spiritual support necessary to maintain individuality and dignity with living with a life-threatening illness and experiencing bereavement.

The Association believes in the right of the individual and family to know and discuss in whatever terms they wish, the extent of the disease and its implications.

The Association believes that those providing support for those living with a life-threatening illness must, themselves, receive consistent, planned, emotional and spiritual support, and have individual commitment to personal growth.

The Association believes that support, for those living with a life-threatening illness and their families, should be provided in the community by a multi-disciplinary team of professionals and volunteers.