

LifeCircle South Dakota

11/27/2023

9:00 AM CT

LifeCircle	<p>Purpose of LifeCircle SD: Improve care at the end of life for the people of South Dakota.</p> <p>Vision of LifeCircle SD: People of South Dakota will receive the care needed to complete their life and die peacefully, their loved ones will receive support, and health care providers in the State will improve care of patients and families at the end of life.</p> <p>Aim of Life Circle: Interdisciplinary and inter-institutional representation of people, organizations, and institutions for the entire state.</p> <p>Goals of LifeCircle SD: To help us meet our purpose and vision, LifeCircle SD strives to provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional Education • Public Education • Public Policy- monitoring and advocacy <p>Monthly Meetings: Last Monday of every Month @ 0900 CST</p>
Members of LifeCircle SD	<p>Ally Brandner; Amanda Sedlacek; Andrew Brown; April Hayenga; Becky Memboleo; Beth Dokken; Brandi Pravecek; Cameo Anders; Carol Stewart; Cate Davis; Cathy Kellogg; Charlene Berke; Dan Heineman; David Brechtelsbauer; Deb Fischer-Clemens; Desirae Toomey; Frannie Arneson; Heather Krzmarzick; Hillary Turner; Janna Brandt; Justin Ohleen; Karen Jensen; Kathy Gubin; Kim Malsam-Rysdon; LaVonne Gaspar; Lisa Groon; Lori Tracy; LuAnn Eidsness; Mari Perrenoud; Marty Link; Mary Hill; Mary Minton; Megan Cooper; Michele Snyders; Michelle Roy; RaChelle Gruba; Rachel Wagemann; Sandra Dieleman; Sarah Mollman; Shawnie Rechtenbaugh; Tammy Hatting; Terri Peterson-Henry; Theresa Garren-Grubbs; Thomas Elness</p>
SD Definition of Palliative Care	<p><i>Palliative care is medical care for people living with a serious illness. This type of care is focused on providing relief from the symptoms and stress of illness with the goal of improving quality of life for both the patient and family. Effective palliative care is delivered by a trained team of doctors, nurses, social workers, chaplains, and other health professionals who collaborate to provide an extra layer of support. Based on the needs of the patient, not on prognosis, palliative care is appropriate at any age and any stage of serious illness and may be provided alongside curative treatments in primary and specialty settings.</i></p>
Items	Action
Presentation	<p>Publication on IPC Seminar: Sarah Mollman</p> <p>Sarah and Dr. Sedlacek provided an update on the research done to look at effectiveness of the IPC and discussed the format that includes didactic and simulation. 7 different disciplines are involved in the IPC Seminar. The link to the article is on the LifeCircle website under research and publications.</p>
Quarterly Education	<p>Occurs the 2nd Wednesday every 3 Months 12:00-1:00 CST</p> <p>December 13th- Heartbeats Program: Music Therapy and Grief Support- Becky Jennings-Boyer, MT-BC The link to register for this presentation was emailed this morning. Please register to receive the Zoom Link to attend the presentation.</p>

	<p>2024: March 13, 2024 Medical Aid in Dying (M.A.I. D.): DAVID NOWELS, MD, MPH, Department of Family Medicine, University of Colorado–Denver, Aurora, Colorado; GREGG VANDEKIEFT, MD, MA, Providence Health and Services, Olympia, Washington, JENNIFER MOORE BALLENTINE, MA, The California State University Institute for Palliative Care, San Marcos, California Curbside Consultation for Medical Aid in Dying Click on “No” State Resources-</p>
MISC Education re: Hospice and PC	<p>Project ECHO: Equity Where it Matters 2023 (NHPCO) Register here Monthly Education addressing diversity and cultural competence in healthcare</p> <p>CAPC- Introduction to Palliative Care for Health Professionals- New Open Access Course Health professionals from all specialties and disciplines, as well as clinicians-in-training, can take this interactive course and come away with an understanding of how to relieve unnecessary suffering and improve quality of life through basic palliative care principles and practices</p> <p>Hospice Foundation of America- https://hospicefoundation.org/HFA-Products/2023-24-Professional-Education-Package *SDAHO has reserved 50 spots for members to participate for free in the HFA series. Non-Member: \$25.00. To register- go to the SDAHO Education Calendar and click on the program</p> <p>MJHS Hospice and Palliative Care Webinars: Link to them on the SDAHO Education Calendar or on the MJHS website. These are FREE.</p>
2024 Conferences	<p>2024: National Symposium for Academic Palliative Care Education and Research: February 8-9 San Diego, CA</p> <p>AAHPM Annual Assembly: March 20-23 Phoenix</p> <p>Minnesota Network for Hospice and Palliative Care (MNHPC) -The Power of Gathering April 8&9 Radisson Blu @ Mall of America- registration coming soon</p> <p>Social Work Hospice & Palliative Care Network (SWHPN)2024 Virtual Conference April 12 & 13- Registration coming soon.</p> <p>NHPCO 2024 Virtual Interdisciplinary Conference- April 15-17: Super Saver rates until 12/7/2023</p> <p>Please let Michele know of any conferences to post. Now on our website!</p>
Projects:	<p>Palliative Care State directory- Email went out to programs to start gathering information along with information on how to put their program on the Get Palliative Care program locator.</p> <p>Get Palliative Care Directory Update Link: https://getpalliativecare.org/get-listing-getpalliativecare-org-palliative-care-provider-directory/</p>

	<p>SD Legislative Long Term Care Summer Study: https://sdlegislature.gov/ If you go to 2023 Interim Committees- Study Committee on Sustainable Models for Long Term Care you will find all the agendas, handouts etc. Community-based service workgroup recommends draft legislation regarding palliative care.</p> <p>Discussion on state definition- review of attached documents.</p> <p>Proposed Definition: Palliative care is medical care for people living with a serious illness. This type of care is focused on providing relief from the symptoms and stress of illness with the goal of improving quality of life for both the patient and family. Effective palliative care is delivered by a trained team of doctors, nurses, social workers, chaplains, and other health professionals who collaborate to provide an extra layer of support wherever a patient receives care. Based on the needs of the patient, not on prognosis, palliative care is appropriate at any age and any stage of serious illness and may be provided alongside curative treatments in primary and specialty settings.</p> <p>This definition will move forward for language to be drafted by the LRC. Senator Jean Hunhoff will introduce the bill. Justin Ohleen will bring the definition to the South Dakota State Medical Association. Deb Fischer-Clemens will bring it to the SD Nurses Association and The American Heart Association. Michele will share it with the Network Members of the HRSA planning grant along with non-members who attended the strategic planning session in October. We will work only on the definition at this point.</p> <p>South Dakota Palliative Care Network: Mari and Michele will send a joint email informing of the merger. Michele will send a welcome email and discuss LifeCircle, update meeting planners and opt out option for the Unified Voice Newsletter.</p>
Guardianship Education Update:	<p>Cameo Anders; Mari Perrenoud; Michele Snyders; Tammy Hatting; SDAHO education team- Michella, Stephanie, Shenna</p> <p>Web page: https://sdaho.org/guardianship/</p> <p>Current 5-10 minute video topics include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Informed Consent ✓- video is live on the website 2. Healthcare Responsibilities ✓ Video is Live on the website 3. Advance Care Planning ✓ video is live on the website 4. Life Sustaining Treatment-✓
Web Pages	<p>DOH Website: The Hospice and Palliative Care section of SDAHO Website will be added to the DOH website in two different locations:</p> <p>https://www.cancersd.com/resources and https://don.sd.gov/topics/cancer/</p>
Legislative News-	<p>Reps Joyce, Armstrong, Underwood, & Kiggans reintroduced the Improving Care and Access to Nurses (I CAN) Act. HR 2713 Removes federal barriers that prohibit nurses</p>

from practicing to the full scope of their education and training in hospice, HHC and SNF. Read [more here](#).

Expanding Access to Palliative Care Act (S. 2565) introduced by Sens Rosen(D-NV), Barrasso(R-WY), Baldwin(D-WI), and Fischer(R-NE). proposes the creation of a demonstration project to support improved access to palliative care services through a community-based model. If passed, the bill would require the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation (CMMI) to develop a Community-Based Palliative Care (CBPC) demonstration- interdisciplinary care to people with serious illness in their home and lead to improved quality and cost outcomes. NHPCO [Press Release](#)

CONNECT for Healthcare Act – Introduced by Sens Schatz (D-HI), Wicker (R-MS), Cardin (D-MD), **Thune (R-SD)**, Warner (D-VA), & Hyde-Smith (R-MS) on June 15. It would build on expanding coverage of telehealth services through Medicare and make permanent COVID-19 telehealth flexibilities including Permanently allowing for the use of telehealth in the certification of a beneficiary for hospice. Read a summary [Here](#). Read the full Bill [Here](#).

Palliative Care and Hospice Education and Training Act-PCHETA (S. 2243): Reintroduced by Senators Baldwin and Capito: The Palliative Care and Hospice Education and Training Act (PECHETA) requires HHS to provide support for Palliative Care and Hospice Education Centers. The centers must improve the training of health professionals in palliative care and establish traineeships for individuals preparing for advanced-education nursing degrees, social work degrees, or advance degrees in physician assistant studies in PC. HHS may provide support to medical schools, teaching hospitals, and graduate medical-education programs for training physicians who plan to teach palliative medicine. HHS must (1) provide Palliative Medicine and Hospice Academic Career Awards to individuals to promote their career development, (2) support entities that operate a Palliative Care and Hospice Education Center, (3) support individuals in specified fields who are pursuing an advanced degree in palliative care or related fields, and (4) award grants to nursing programs to train individuals in providing palliative care. The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) must provide for a national education and awareness campaign to inform patients, families, and health professionals about the benefits of palliative care. The National Institutes of Health must expand national research programs in palliative care. Read NHPCO's press release [here](#). **Senator Rounds (R-SD)** has signed on to co-sponsor.

Improving Access to Transfusion Care for Hospice Patients Act (S.2566) A bill to require CMMI demonstration to test allowing blood transfusions to be paid separately from the Medicare Hospice all-inclusive per diem payment was reintroduced to the Senate Finance Committee by Senator Rosen (D-NV) Read more [here](#).

Provider Training in Palliative Care Act (S.2890) Sens Rosen (D-Nev) and Murkowski (R-Alaska) reintroduced legislation designed to expand the palliative care workforce. IF enacted it would allow medical students in the National Health Service Corps' (NHSC) to defer clinical service requirements for up to one year to pursue additional training in palliative care. They would also provide primary care during their time of service with HHSC. Read more [here](#).

The *Improving Access to Advance Care Planning Act* would help more Americans access critical ACP services by allowing social workers to provide ACP services, removing

	<p>beneficiary cost-sharing, and promoting increased education for providers on current ACP codes, and improved reporting on barriers to providing ACP services and billing the corresponding codes. This legislation was introduced in 2022 in the U.S. House of Representatives by Congressman Earl Blumenauer (D-OR).</p> <p>https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/senate-bill/4873/text?r=7&s=1 Soon To Be Reintroduced in 2023? Supported by CTAC.</p>
State Grants	<p>R01 Grant- JR LaPlant, Tinka Duran, Bethany-Rose Daubman, MD, Frannie Arneson, MD, Mary Isaacson; Dr. Daniel Peterite- 2020-2024</p> <p>SDSU RSCA Challenge Grant: Brandi Pravecek- lead investigator and Mary Isaacson-co-investigator looking at the impact personal familiarity with patients has on goals of care conversations. Ends 12/31/2023</p> <p>SD CASIC HRSA Rural Healthcare Planning Grant: Project Director- Michele Snyders with 7 Network Members to look at the feasibility to create a statewide coalition for coordinating and advancing palliative care and hospice services in South Dakota.</p>
Pediatrics	<p>Final Draft of the Pediatric crisis standards of care now located on SDAHO Website</p>
Quality	
LTC	
Round Table	<p>Updating Meeting Planners to include new members and SDPCN members.</p> <p>2024 CY Physician Fee Schedule now has many new billing codes that will cover the costs of some palliative care and hospice care specific interventions. See CTAC's summary of what is covered that was supported by CTAC. Link to the final rule here.</p>
Next meeting	<p>Merry Christmas/Happy New Year- No meeting in December. Next meeting: January 29th, 2024</p>