

LifeCircle South Dakota

Agenda

08/26/2024

9:00 AM CT

	<p>Purpose of LifeCircle SD: Improve serious illness care for patients and their support person(s), not limited to, but including end of life care.</p> <p>Vision of LifeCircle SD: Provide a collaborative approach to improve care for South Dakotans living with serious illness and their support person(s).</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• Patient and Support Person(s) Education• Public Policy- monitoring and advocacy <p>Monthly Meetings: Last Monday of every Month @ 0900 CST</p>
Members of LifeCircle SD	<p>Alicia Syverson; Ally Brandner; Amanda Sedlacek; Amber Allen; Amy Keranen; Angela Kroeze Visser; Andrew Brown; Ashley Johnson; Becky Memboleo; Brandi Pravecek; Brandon Varilek; Cameo Anders; Carla Graciano Sarinãna; Carole Stewart; Carrie Christopherson; Cate Davis; Cathy Kellogg; Charlene Berke; Cheryl Fischbach; Dan Heineman; Danielle Gannon; Danielle Richards; David Brechtelsbauer; Dawn Ingalls; Deb Arbogast; Deb Fischer Clemens; Deborah Deuschle; Elizabeth Schenkel; Heather Krzmarzick; Hillary Turner; Janelle Goodfellow; Jeanice Miskimins; Jenna Brandt; Jill Ireland; Jo Neubauer; Joseph Rees; Julie Dixen; Justin Ohleen; Karen Gallagher; Karen Jensen; Kathryn Moore; Kathy Gubin; Kayla Wolff; Kelly Boyd; Kim Malsam-Rysdon; Kristine Wensmann; Lisa Groon; Lisa Kunkel; Lori Tracy; LuAnn Eidsness; LuAnn Trutwin; Mari Perrenoud; Mari Beth Van Zanten; Mary Hill; Mary Isaacson; Mary Jo Heier-Johnson; Megan Dalton; Megan Myers; Melissa Schilousky; Michele Sargent; Michele Snyders; Michella Sybesma; Mindi VandeKamp; Mollie Sanchez; Molly Keegan; Nicolle Shumaker; Priscilla Bade; RaChelle Gruba; Rhonda Wiering; Robin Randall; Sabina Kupersmidt; Sally Nielson; Sandy Dieleman; Sarah Mollman; Shelly Roy; Stacie Sinclair; Stephanie Klemann; Tammy Hatting; Teresa Garren-Grubbs; Terri Peterson-Henry</p> <p>To Join: Complete the registration page on the bottom of the LifeCircle Webpage. Once you have registered, you will receive the zoom link to get the year's meeting planner w/link. BE SURE TO ADD TO YOUR CALENDAR!</p>
South Dakota State Definition of Palliative Care §34-12-1.1(13)	<p>"Palliative care," specialized medical care that is provided to a patient of any age, with a serious illness at any stage, and which:</p> <p>(a) Is designed to improve a patient's quality of life, and that of the patient's family, by providing relief from the symptoms and stresses of the patient's illness;</p>

	<p>(b) May be provided alongside curative treatments in primary and specialty settings, based on the needs of the patient and not on the prognosis; and</p> <p>(c) Delivered collaboratively, in any setting, by a specially trained interdisciplinary team that includes healthcare practitioners, nurses, social workers, spiritual care providers, and other patient support providers;</p>
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Introduction	
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<p>ACT Index- Report compiled by CTAC to assess state and regional level on ways to improve care for those with serious illness.</p>	<p>Follow up Discussion: In what way can LifeCircle impact these outcomes?</p> <p>Cost Domain-Areas to improve: SD has lower # hospices days/decedent and higher Medicare spending /descendants in last 2 years of life.</p> <p>Care Domain: Care: SD could improve adults getting the help/advice they need from their home health provider at the end of life.</p> <p>Communication Domain: Could improve by providing more advanced care planning services for Medicare FFS beneficiaries and enabling more people to die at home.</p> <p>Caregiving and Community Domain: All states saw a drop in community support \$</p> <p>KMR: Avera has ended the ACP taskforce which resulted in changes to the HER to better record care decisions by patients- recently expanded to the NICU population. Fields were added to record patient choices about end-of-life care options. Depending on patient preference- leads to prompts for other care planning- i.e. completion of the MOST.</p> <p>Beth Dokken: The Cancer State Plan- Cancer coalition steering committee to vote on and set priory strategies- there is an interest in continuing the palliative care priorities into next state plan year. Beth will bring ACP to the Healthy Brain Steering Committee led by DoH which is doing strategic planning in a couple of weeks.</p> <p>Sanford: Amber Allen- were hoping to have an ACP facilitator available at every clinic- was using respecting choices- trainers who do facilitator training. Not cost effective- Most ACP done through the DeGroot Center -Bioethics, Humanities and Healing Arts- sees both inpatient and outpatients. Looking at expanding telehealth options vs a body in every clinic- more cost effective.</p> <p>It was recommended that Michele present this information at a SDAH conference to reach hospital administrators and clinical staff. Michele will report on the two steering committee planning meeting (Healthy Brain and Cancer Coalition)</p> <p>How to reach Rural South Dakota- SDAH webinar- what ACP is, why do it and how to bill for it to capture the billing codes used to gather data in ACT Index. (Medicare FFS)</p> <p>Lack of awareness for billing codes– how to address this (data came from pulling down ACP billing codes- are providers not billing or is ACP not being done?)</p>
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	<p>Create scripting for nurses/other disciplines to start these conversations to ease the burden on providers-</p> <p>Discuss incident to billing</p> <p>Improving Access to Advance Care Planning Act (H.R.8840/S.4873)- Adds clinical nurse specialist or a clinical social worker to eligible practitioners who can bill</p> <p>Staffing issues</p> <p>Do we know who/where people are going without services in the state?</p> <p>Uniform Health Care Decisions Act- (Erik Nelson Oct. Meeting)- aimed at increasing access to Advance Directives.</p>
<p>Quarterly Education</p>	<p>September 11: Angela Visser- PhD Research: 'Perspectives on integrating community health workers into palliative care teams in South Dakota'. Use this link to <u>register</u> prior to September 11 to get your meeting link: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_hNbBeoCuRsqVr1FVVE2UGQ</p> <p>December 11: Brandon Varilek “Hospice Use Disparities for American Indian Persons with ESKD”- save the date emailed- zoom link to come</p> <p>Ideas for next year:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Specialty PC-ie: perinatal , pediatric, neuro, integrated Cancer w/new ASCO Guideline 2. Hospice- update on hospice benefit-medication coverage 3. Complimentary Therapy 4. Sexuality and Intimacy 5. SD MOST & Comfort One <p>Please let Michele know if you have a speaker recommendation</p> <p>Please send other topics for education to michele.snyders@sdaho.org</p>
<p>MISC Education re: Hospice and PC</p>	<p>The Hospice and Palliative Credentialing Center (HPCC) has just announced the Sandra Lee Schafer Certification Scholarships. 25 scholarships will be awarded to nurses and other members of the interprofessional team to cover the cost of obtaining or renewing your HPCC certification. To apply for the scholarship, click here. Deadlines is November 1, 2024 11:59 PM (EDT)</p> <p>SDAHO renewed Hospice Foundation of America Membership and will make available all Live Webinars including the annual Living With Grief program. Links to register will be on the SDAHO Education Calendar. Preview webinars here. Instructions for 2-step registration were emailed 8/22/24</p> <p>CAPC Free and Open to All Webinars:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opportunities to Improve Care and Promote Health Equity for Black People with Serious Illness (September 12)

- [BRIEFING: Voices from the Field - Findings from CAPC’s First Annual Palliative Pulse Survey](#) (September 19) – this one is going to be particularly extraordinary!!

Other Member Only CAPC Webinars are found on the SDAHO Education Calendar

The Alzheimer’s Association has partnered with the UCLA ADC Program, to present an Alzheimer’s and Dementia Care ECHO series. Cohorts will meet for 1-hour every two weeks, reviewing one of twelve topics each session. In addition to hearing short lectures about key dementia care topics, participating organizations will have the opportunity to present a case and receive feedback on de-identified patients who are living with dementia. This series is offered at no cost. For participation, there are up to 12 free CMEs available.

We are accepting registrations for Fall 2024, which will begin **October 23**. Please email Rachel Goldberger at rbgoldberger@alz.org with your interest.

<https://www.adcprogram.org/adc-echo>

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<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1CeSpeYuzs5d38qaNuO9rbsskBIY2GLwp/view?pli=1>

SDAHO Education Calendar:

Aug 29- CAPC- Navigating prescribing decisions for patients with Chronic Pain and Serious Illness: Case Reviews

Sept 4- The FY25 Hospice Final Rule: understanding Payment Rates & Regulatory updates

Sept 5- Hospice- Staying out of the Special Focus Program

Sept 10-HFA-Disenfranchised Grief: History and Contemporary Applications

Sept 12-CAPC- Opportunities to improve care and promote Health Equity for Black People with Serious Illness

Sept 16-ACS- Palliative Care: Benefits for Patients and Caregivers

Sept 18- NASHP- States and Tribes Working Together to Improve the Access of American Indians and Alaska Natives to Behavioral Health Care

Sept 19-CAPC- Briefing: Voices from the Field-findings from CAPC’s First annual palliative pulse survey

Sept 25-27-2024 SDAHO Annual Convention- Primary Palliative Care Recipe: Equal Parts Understanding, Skills and Champion. Stir Gently (Dr. Andrea Baier, Dr. Emily Duffy, Dr. Sarah Mollman, Dr. Brandi Pravecek)

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Agreement to update the tagline to read: **Partners Improving Serious Illness Care**

2024 Conferences

[2024 NHPCO Annual Leadership](#) Conference - September 14-15: Preconference; **September 16-18**: Main Conference. Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel, Denver Colorado.

	<p>SDAHO Annual Convention September 25-27 The Monument in Rapid City, SD</p> <p>2024 Team Conference for Hospice & Palliative Care (HPNA)- September 28- Baltimore, MD</p> <p>International Conference on Advanced Palliative Medicine, Symptom and Pain Management 2024 October 7&8 2024 New York City, NY</p> <p>2024 Home Care and Hospice Conference and Expo(NAHC)- October 20,2024- October 22, 2024; Tampa Convention Center- Tampa Florida</p> <p>The Coalition to Transform Advanced Care (CTAC) 2024 National Leadership Summit October 21-22 Capital Hilton in Washington DC- Registration Link</p> <p>ISPEC Spiritual Care Training Course for Clinicians and Chaplains (SW Institute for Spirituality and Health-GWISH) October 28 & 29 in Washington DC</p> <p>Please let Michele know of any conferences to post.</p>
Projects:	<p>Create Education for the DoH Website- Development team: Sarah Mollman, Hillary Turner; Sandra Reinesch, Megan Myers, Amanda Sedlacek, Jane Kroese, Pam Koepsell; Rebecca Piroutek, Stephanie Rissler, Sheena Thomas- Items completed thus far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DoH link to SDAHO Palliative Care webpage Content; • SDAHO Palliative Care Landing Page; • Medical Professional Page for Adults which takes you to; • Medical Professional Page- Primary Palliative Care; • Medical Professional Page Specialty Palliative Care Page; • Patient Page- Adult • Support Person Page <p>Remaining Content Page:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical Professional Page- Pediatric and Perinatal • Patient Page- Pediatric and Perinatal
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-✓ 5. Medically Assisted Nutrition and Hydration- recorded ✓ 6. Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation- In Development 7. Dialysis 8. Help with Breathing 9. ICD Implant 10. What You Need to Know to Set Up a Guardianship

<p>Web Site</p>	<p>Advance Care Planning documents- Michele found new discussion guides to add to the Advance Care Planning site on the website: “My Advance Care Plan & Guide for Native Americans” is Produced by the National Indigenous Elder Justice Initiative Michele connected with someone to see if we can make the changes recommended by Kelly LeBeaux with the GPTCHB before posting to our website.</p>
<p>Federal Legislative News-</p>	<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 from practicing to the full scope of their education and training in hospice, HHC and SNF. Read more here.</p> <p>Expanding Access to Palliative Care Act (S. 1845) 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</p> <p>CONNECT for Healthcare Act – (H.R.4189) 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.</p> <p>Palliative Care and Hospice Education and Training Act-PCHETA (US SB 2243): Reintroduced by Senators Baldwin and Capito: The Palliative Care and Hospice Education and Training Act (PCHETA) 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</p> <p>Improving Access to Transfusion Care for Hospice Patients Act (US SB2566) 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</p>

	<p>reintroduced to the Senate Finance Committee by Senator Rosen (D-NV) Read more here.</p> <p>Provider Training in Palliative Care Act (S.2117) 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.</p> <p>Improving Access to Advance Care Planning Act (H.R.8840/S.4873) New Version will be introduced in the near future and be ready for committee mark-up when larger legislative vehicles become available. The bills, sponsored by Rep. Blumenauer (H.R. 8840) and Senator Warner (S. 4873), remove Medicare copays for all ACP counseling, authorize Licensed Clinical Social Workers to use the two ACP billing codes to pay for ACP, and provide for additional provider education on these codes.</p> <p>Preserving Telehealth, Hospital and Ambulance Access Act: Passed out of the House Ways and Means Committee by a vote of 41-0 read Leading Age summary here. Read here to see how this impacts hospices face to face specifically. Extends Hospital at Home waiver until 12/1/29 and telehealth extensions until 12-31-26</p> <p>Gerald's Law Act: H.R. 234 sponsored by Rep Jack Bergman, is a bill that requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to provide a burial and funeral allowance for a veteran who dies from a non-service-connected disability in a home or other setting at which the veteran was receiving VA hospice care (if such care was directly preceded by VA hospital or nursing home care).</p>
Hospice	<p>NAHC-NHPCO Alliance announces that Steven Landers, MD, MPH is the new Chief Executive officer. Board Certified physician in family medicine, geriatric medicine and hospice and palliative medicine.</p>
State Grants	<p>SD CASIC HRSA Rural Healthcare Planning Grant: Project Director- Michele Snyders with 7 Network Members to look at the feasibility of creating a statewide coalition for coordinating and advancing palliative care and hospice services in South Dakota. Ends 9/30/2024-</p>
Publications & Marketing	<p><i>*All publications from South Dakota Authors can be shared on the LifeCircle web page if allowed by the journal. It's a great way to share education with healthcare professionals across our state.</i></p>
Pediatrics	
Quality	Any other new hospice and/or palliative care activities in our state to follow/promote?
LTC	
Round Table	
Next meeting	September 30, 2024 @ 0900 CT/0800 MT
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