OBJECTIVES

By the end of the session, participants will be able to:

• Review Early Identification and Prognostic Indicator Guide.
• Review the “palliative approach to care” and how this effects early identification of patients, triggering ACP discussions.
• Identify several conditions (COPD, CHF, dementia, frailty, MND, cancer) using the prognostic indicator guide.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Palliative Care Education Series provides regular lectures which discuss common end-of-life issues. During this session, Ms. King and Dr. Winemaker will discuss early identification of patients requiring palliative care and engaging all primary care providers in the provision of palliative care.

PRESENTERS

Susan King, BScOT, MBA is the Director of the Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant (HNHB) Regional Palliative Care Network. Ms. King is an experienced leader, project manager, and facilitator of complex regional and provincial initiatives. In her current role, Ms. King is responsible for leading palliative care system planning and recommending innovative solutions to improve care for patients with life-limiting illnesses and their families. Ms. King’s past experience includes leading the planning, implementation and evaluation of Ontario’s End-of-Life Care Strategy, and Cancer Care Ontario’s symptom management improvement collaborative.

Dr. Samantha Winemaker, BSc,MD,FCFP(PC) is a graduate of McMaster University Medical School. She has completed residency training in family medicine, and a fellowship in palliative medicine. She is a part-time associate clinical professor at McMaster University in the Department of Family Medicine, Division of Palliative Care. Dr. Winemaker’s clinical work is predominately community based. She currently works on the Greater Hamilton Palliative Care Outreach Team. She is a member of the Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant Regional Palliative Care Network Council and Co-Chair of the Early Identification Project Working Group.

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