



News Release

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Understanding Hospice Palliative Care in Niagara-on-the-Lake

The Communications Working Group of the Niagara-on-the-Lake Health Services Steering Committee is pleased to announce the second in a series of healthcare information sessions designed to inform residents on key elements of current and future health services delivery.

Session Two is entitled “Beyond Today ...Hospice Palliative Care”. It will feature presentations by Carol Nagy, Executive Director of Hospice Niagara and Terry Mactaggart, Program Coordinator, Niagara-on-the-Lake Community Palliative Care Service.

Both of these organizations have a long-standing partnership and history in serving the Niagara-on-the-Lake community.

Hospice Niagara is our regional Centre of Excellence in Hospice Palliative Care, providing innovative leadership in continuous person-centred care, support and partnerships in end-of-life care. Services are focused on improving the quality of life for people living with progressive illnesses, and their families, from the time of diagnosis, including bereavement services following the death of their loved one.

The Niagara-on-the-Lake Community Palliative Care Service offers seriously-ill residents and their families a variety of services that include: trained visiting volunteers who provide emotional support, respite care, friendship and compassionate listening, a wide variety of equipment, a lending library of books, DVDs and CDs, phone bereavement and bereavement support groups, and a family studio apartment for out-of-town family members. All programs and services are offered in strict confidence and free of charge.

“The goal of this session”, explains Carol Nagy “is to help the community understand Hospice Palliative Care – what it means, the services available today, and the future vision for services in Niagara-on-the-Lake.” Terry Mactaggart adds, “It’s a subject we

are often hesitant to discuss. This is an opportunity for residents to gather information and not be afraid to ask questions.”

Session 2
Beyond Today ... Hospice Palliative Care
Tuesday, March 31, 2015
Grace United Church
222 Victoria Street
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Everyone is welcome

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