



# Cunningham Centre for Palliative Care courses

May –October 2017

## Palliative Care Perspectives

14 to 15 September 2017

A foundation level course on aspects of palliative care for people with a life-limiting illness from the perspective of a specialist palliative care multidisciplinary team.

Participants will be introduced to both physical and psychosocial aspects of care for patients with palliative care needs and their families, with a focus on needs assessment strategies.

For health professionals in acute, chronic, aged care and/or palliative care settings with limited palliative care knowledge or experience.

## Advance Care Planning

13 October 2017

A workshop in advance care planning, including ethical principles and capacity issues relevant to this process.

Participants will have the opportunity to enhance their understanding of communication strategies and reflect on some of the complex issues that influence peoples decisions in advance care planning processes. For health professionals in acute, chronic, aged care and/or palliative care settings who are providing care to people with a life-limiting illness and/or their caregivers.

## Management of Symptoms in Advanced Illness

11 to 12 May 2017 or 30 to 31 October 2017

A foundation level course providing an overview of the more common symptoms experienced by patients with advanced illness. Participants will have the opportunity to enhance their knowledge in the identification and management of complex symptoms in patients with life limiting diseases. For health professionals in acute, chronic, aged care and/or palliative care settings who are providing care to people with a life-limiting illness and/or their caregivers.

### VENUE:

Sacred Heart Health  
Service,  
170 Darlinghurst Rd,  
Darlinghurst

### TIME:

8:30 am - 4.00pm

### CATERING:

Morning tea provided

### ENQUIRIES:

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### BOOKINGS:

For more information or to  
register visit:

<https://svhs.org.au/home>

### Cost:

2 day course -  
\$275.00+GST

1 day course-\$165.00  
+GST

## Introduction to Grief and Bereavement

25 May 2017

An introductory course on the processes of bereavement and the experiences of bereaved people. Facilitated by a specialist bereavement counsellor this course explores issues related to loss and grief. It covers a range of strategies in dealing with bereavement and the experiences of bereaved people in the period after death has occurred.

For health, care workers and others who work with people following a death.

## Psychological Care for people who are Bereaved

23 August 2017

An advanced level course on current theories of bereavement, diagnostic issues related to bereavement, and co-morbidity and treatment considerations when working with people who are bereaved.

For psychologists and other mental health specialists working with people who are bereaved, in a variety of care settings.

## Communication Skills in working with Bereaved People

26 October 2017

It is an intermediate level course for those in the helping professions who work with people following a death where bereavement issues may be of concern. It would be helpful for participants to have previously attended the one day course 'Introduction to Grief & Bereavement' or similar. The course will be led by a specialist bereavement counsellor. For health professionals, care workers and others who work with people following a death.

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The Sacred Heart Supportive and Palliative Care Service, at St Vincent's Hospital, Sydney, is dedicated to providing care, support and an understanding of the needs of persons with a progressive life-limiting illness - recognising that illness also has an impact on families, carers and friends. The multidisciplinary team aims to help patients achieve the best quality of life while also acknowledging and nurturing the uniqueness and spiritual identity of each person.

Courses are run in conjunction with The Cunningham Centre for Palliative Care. The Centre seeks to promote and enable excellence in research, education, clinical practice and quality care in the field of palliative care.