

Complementing Medical Care for Chronically Ill Seniors: Palliative Care

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Training via Video Conference from

Aging and Adult Services, Minnesota Department of Human Services

Description Aging and Adult Services Division is offering a new series of videoconferences on roles for community partners in providing quality outcomes for seriously chronically ill and disabled seniors living in the community. Historically, a narrow, medical-centered view of frail seniors has failed to use the valuable “eyes and ears” of community LTC and support service providers to implement more comprehensive chronic illness care.

Too often, messages sent to physician clinics about a change of status of a community LTC client have gone unheeded, to the detriment of the senior themselves and to the Medicare budget, with an avoidable crisis, ER visit, and hospitalization result. Physicians counter argue, saying that “unhelpful” information only further hampers their dizzyingly busy offices. Where is the common ground?

Learn the perspectives of leading Minnesota geriatricians regarding the opportunities for closer coordination of senior services and medical care. Care coordination, whether formalized by contracts and titles or opportunistic between aging network professionals and individual physicians, needs to be locally grounded and realistic. This series will cover evidence-based knowledge about common chronic conditions and the important sequelae that non-medical personnel can monitor and report on in a timely manner.

This session will cover palliative care, meaning those situations where seniors choose to focus on day-to-day function, quality of life, and pain control but do not meet qualifications for hospice care. Quality palliative care requires coordinated care.

Target Audience: Counties, Health Plans and Tribes
Block, Parish and Public Health Nurses
Home and Community Based Service Staff
Community health professionals
Area Agency on Aging staff
Eldercare Development Partnerships
Alzheimer’s Association members

Presenter(s): Cathleen Clouse, MD, Family Physician
Thomas Pettus, MD, Geriatrician

Additional Learning Tools Available

The PowerPoint presentation and other discussion materials will be emailed to each participant prior to the event. Those individuals who will be unable to participate, but who would like to receive handouts via email, may indicate this preference on the registration survey.

Pre-registration is required

Each person needs to register through the link below. Any site for which there are no registrants one week prior to the event will be cancelled. Registration closes at 5:00 p.m. on the Monday prior to the session. Regretfully, no late registrations can be accepted.

<http://agingtraining.dhs.state.mn.us>

Cancellation

If you register and then find you will be unable to attend, please cancel your reservation by using your confirmation number. Your failure to do so will result in others being unnecessarily turned away from this training.

Certification

Participants will receive documentation of their participation that will contain information typically required by licensing boards for continuing education. Please note that these training sessions have not been submitted for prior approval to any licensing board.

Accommodations

Individuals with a disability who need a reasonable accommodation to participate in this event may indicate "special request" when registering. Please make requests as early as possible.

Times and Locations

The conferences will be offered at the sites and times below.

Start Time: 10:00 am

Duration: 120 minutes

<i>Building</i>	<i>Street Address</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>Zip</i>
Clay County Family Services Center	715 11th Street North	Moorhead	56560
Clearwater County Courthouse	213 Main Avenue North, Department 303	Bagley	56621
Cook County Courthouse	411 West Second Street	Grand Marais	55604
Crow Wing County Social Services	Community Services Bldg, 204 Laurel St., 3rd Floor	Brainerd	56401
Dakota County Northern Service	1 Mendota Road West, Room 110A	West. St. Paul	55118
Department of Human Services	444 Lafayette Road, Fifth Floor, Room 5137	St. Paul	55155
Douglas County Human Services	809 Elm Street, Suite 1186	Alexandria	56308
Itasca County Courthouse	123 NE 4th Street	Grand Rapids	55744
Kandiyohi Health and Human Serv.	2200 23rd Street NE, Room 1070	Willmar	56201
Lake of the Woods County Courthouse	206 SE 8th Street	Baudette	56623
Lyon County Government Center	Courthouse, 607 West Main Street, First Floor	Marshall	56258
Nicollet County Courthouse	501 South Minnesota Ave	St. Peter	56082
Polk County Courthouse	612 N Broadway, Lower Level, Suite 110	Crookston	56716
Redwood County Human Services	302 E Third Street	Redwood Falls	56283
Rice County Government Services	320 NW 3rd Street, Room 3B	Faribault	55021
Stearns County Human Services	705 Courthouse Square, Room 354	St. Cloud	55302
Watonwan County Human Services	715 Second Avenue South	St. James	56081
Wright County Human Services	1004 Commercial Drive	Buffalo	55313

Times and Locations

The conferences will be offered at the sites and times below.

Start Time: 1:30 pm

Duration: 120 minutes

<i>Building</i>	<i>Street Address</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>Zip</i>
Becker County Human Services	712 Minnesota Avenue	Detroit Lakes	56501
Big Stone County Family Services	340 NW Second St	Ortonville	56278
Blue Earth County Human Services	410 S 5th Street, Basement Level - Voyager Room	Mankato	56002
Carlton County Courthouse	301 Walnut Street	Carlton	55718
Chisago County Government Center	313 North Main Street, Room 106	Center City	55012
Department of Human Services	444 Lafayette Road, Fifth Floor, Rooms 5134 & 5137	St. Paul	55155
Freeborn County Dept of Human Services	203 W Clark Street, Room 128	Albert Lea	56007
Hennepin County Government Ctr.	300 S 6th Street, Room 1713	Minneapolis	55487
Hubbard County Courthouse	301 Court Avenue	Park Rapids	56470
Koochiching County Courthouse	715 4th Street	International Falls	56649
LeSueur County Courthouse	88 S Park Ave West	Le Center	56057
Nobles County Courthouse	315 10th Street, 3rd Floor	Worthington	56187
Olmsted County Social Services	2116 Campus Drive SE	Rochester	55904
Renville County Office Building	410 East DePue, Room 116	Olivia	56277
St. Louis County Government Ctr.	320 West 2nd Street, Room 608	Duluth	55802
St. Louis County Health	Northland Office Bldg. 307 South First St. 2 nd Floor	Virginia	55792
Steele County Administration Center	630 Florence Avenue, Room 40	Owatonna	55060
Swift County Human Services Bldg.	410 21st Street South, Room 104	Benson	56215
Winona County Office Building	202 West 3rd Street	Winona	55987