

TAYSIDE PALLIATIVE & END OF LIFE CARE MANAGED CARE NETWORK

RESEARCH GROUP

Terms of Reference

1. Purpose

This is a collaborative transdisciplinary group undertaking high quality palliative and end-of-life care (PEOLC) research. We work within and across homes, hospitals, hospices and communities to undertake high quality research and ensure that research knowledge is translated into real world settings to improve the quality of care of persons with PEOLC needs and the quality of life for carers/family and enable a good death for those at the end of life.

2. Aim

The aim of the Research Group is to develop a Community of Practice that supports the generation and mobilisation of knowledge related to PEOLC. It will bring both research active and those interested in research together to discuss PEOLC research and generate as well as support research projects in PEOLC.

3. Objectives

Our objectives are to :

- Work with health, social care, hospice and community/voluntary care personnel to identify the key knowledge requirements to provide quality care across Tayside and Fife
- Work with patients, their carers and families to identify what matters most to them about their care, what their priorities are for improving quality of care, quality of life and good death
- Innovate through working with a range of research models and tools to engage with all stakeholders to improve patients', carers' and families' experiences of palliative and end of life care and the quality of care people receive
- Positively influence palliative and end of life care and care experiences at a practice and policy level through knowledge mobilisation mechanisms. We aim to share and implement our research findings broadly across local, national and international communities and engage stakeholders through the research process to ensure that the impact of our research can be maximised
- Provide a research focus and support for the development of early researchers, students, interns and service practitioners in order to build capacity for ongoing research in palliative and end of life care
- Build PEOLC research capacity and quality in Tayside and Fife

4. Chair Person

This group is co-chaired by:

Deborah Baldie, Senior Nurse, Practice Development/Research Fellow, NHS Tayside

Fiona MacCormick, Consultant in Palliative Medicine, NHS Tayside

Sarah Mills, GP Dundee/Academic Fellow, University of Dundee

Judith Sixsmith, Professor of Health Related Research, University of Dundee

5. Membership

Name	Job Title	Role
Gordon Adams	District Nurse Team Leader	Group member
Deborah Baldie	Senior Nurse, Practice Development	Co-chair
Alana Brown-Kerr	ST4 Trainee Palliative Medicine	Group member
Deans Buchanan	Consultant in Palliative Medicine, NHS Tayside Clinical Lead	Group member
Ivan Cornford	Scottish Care, Integration Lead	Group member
Fiona Crombie	Community Nurse	Group member
Jacqueline Davie	Head of Nursing	Group member
Claire Douglas	Consultant in Palliative Medicine	Group member
Susan Duncan	Nursing Team Leader, Kings Park School	Group member
Mei Lan Fang	Research Fellow	Group member
Mairi Finlay	Speciality Registrar Palliative Medicine	Group member
Gavin Francis	Consultant	Group member
Alan Gibbon	Senior Chaplain, Professional Lead: Person Centred Care	Group member
Lynn Griffin	Head of Undergraduate Studies/Senior Lecturer	Group member
Kristin Haga	GPST2 Ardblair/Blairgowrie	Group member
Lesley Howells	Maggie's Research Lead(UK)/Lead Consultant Clinical psychologist (Scotland), Centre Head	Co-chair
Bridget Johnston	Prof. of Clinical Nursing Practice Research, University of Glasgow	Group member
Jill Judson	CNS Palliative Care	Group member
Shirley Kelly	Macmillan Lead Pharmacist	Group member
Antonia Lannie	Academic Lead: MSc Long Term Conditions	Group member

Fiona MacCormick	Consultant in Palliative Medicine	Co-chair
Catriona MacPherson	Children & Families Practitioner	Group member
Diane McCulloch	Head of Service, Health & Community Care	Group member
Kirsty McQuarrie	SPCS Clinical Co-ordinator	Group member
Sarah Mills	GP/Academic Fellow	Co-chair
Tharin Phenwan	Research Student/Associate Fellow AMEE	Group member
Iona Philp	TayPEOLC MCN Manager	Group member
Laura Pole	GP	Group member
Louise Rattray	Macmillan Trainee Advanced Nurse Practitioner	Group member
Jean Sargeant	Partnership Quality Lead	Group member
Jacqueline Scott	Macmillan CNS	Group member
Suzanne Scott	Community Care Assessor	Group member
Andy Shewan	Consultant Nurse Dementia	Group member
Judith Sixsmith	Professor of Health Related Research	Co-chair
Jacqueline Thomson	Nurse Consultant Older People	Group member
Katharine Thomson	Consultant in Palliative Medicine	Group member
Gillian Tomison	Macmillan Advanced Nurse Practitioner	Group member
Audrey Toshney	Paediatric Specialist Nurse	Group member

6. Quorum

When group members are unable to attend, the Research Group meetings will progress with a minimum quorate of a chairperson and 4 members of the group.

7. Frequency of meetings

The Research Group/Community of Practice will meet 3 times a year and will hold additional meetings as required to support its work programme.

8. Accountability and Reporting Arrangements

The Research Group will be accountable to the TayPEOLC MCN Steering Group and will provide update reports for the Steering Group meetings and other MCN reports as required.