

Current status

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Where we are

- Project definition (Agreement and deliverables)
- Starting the project
- Quality and administrative processes
- CareSearch website
- Proposed interim upgrades
- Planning for the Network

Project definition

- One stop shop
- All those providing palliative care and all those affected by palliative care
- Continue CareSearch
- Translation of evidence
- Long term governance

Network Principles

Equity: Enables equity of access to appropriate resources

Evidence: Based on the best available evidence

Interdisciplinary: Reflects the interdisciplinary base of palliative care

Diversity: Respects the diversity of users and providers of palliative care

Community: Encourages a community of practice and a community of care

Starting the Project

- Knowledge Network Management Group
- Appointing staff
- IT and web hosting
- Planning and liaising
- Consultation workshop

KNMG Membership

- Dr Peter Martin (Chairperson)
- Professor Paddy Phillips (ACEBP)
- Professor Linda Kristjanson (CareSearch Project)
- Michaela Willet (NICS)
- Gary Doherty (CSIRO)
- Roslyn Lockhart (Indigenous representative)
- Robin Toohey (Consumer Health Forum)
- Palliative Care Intergovernmental Forum (Vacant)
- David Woods (PCA)
- Jennie Della (Department of Health and Ageing)
- Carers Australia (Vacant)

Quality frameworks

- Quality and relevance criteria
- Review processes and currency reviews
- Indexing/Keyword system
- Permissions and copyright
- Author guidelines and authorship attribution
- Beginnings of knowledge translation considerations

CareSearch website

- Primary focus is specialist palliative care clinicians, educators and researchers
- Publicly available since September 2004
- Established suite of information and evidence and resources

What's currently on CareSearch

- Literature databases
- Evidence based practice
- Research
- Grants
- Patient Care
- Education and Training
- Resources

Coming next month

- National Palliative Care Program Overview and summary pages of key projects
- Conducting research in palliative care
- Revised PubMed search tables (Open and limited by validated palliative care filter)

Coming January 2007

- Set of pages for Patients, Carers, Families and Friends
- Set of pages for GPs

Planning for the Knowledge Network

- Hardware considerations
- IT module development
- Graphic User Interface
- Content development and review
- Marketing and communication
- Formative and summative evaluation
- Knowledge translation
- Partnerships and relationships

Being involved

- Send information, ideas, resources to the Project team
- Use your channels of communication to let people know what is happening
- Project updates on the CareSearch websites
- Project News/eNews
- Join in – reviewer, evaluator, usability testing, project groups, online forums