

<b>CareSearch Project</b>		<b>Research Studies Register: Registration Proforma</b>		<b>0012</b>			
<b>Study Title: Adelaide Hills Palliative Care Project (National Rural Palliative Care Program)</b>							
<b>Brief description of the study:</b> The Rural Palliative Care program, using 8 separate pilot projects nationwide, specifically aims to support the development of more collaborative models of palliative care, for people living in rural and remote areas, built around the pivotal role played by general practice. The program draws on key aspects taken from the GAPS model and examines how these are transferred and applied using varied approaches across a range of settings. Implementation of the Adelaide Hills Palliative Care Project has included: the governance committee; the clinical forum; the GP Advisor role; the link nurse group; education strategies; and community engagement.							
<b>Study Methodology: (Please mark with an x which type of study methodology)</b>							
	Epidemiology						
	Health Services / Health Economics / Quality Improvement						
	Qualitative, Observational or Descriptive						
<b>x</b>	<b>Mixed Method</b>						
	Systematic Review						
	Intervention: RCT						
	Intervention: Comparative or cohort study						
	Intervention: Case series						
<b>Project details:</b>							
Funding source (Optional): <b>National Palliative Care Program</b>							
Has the study received ethics approval?		<b>x</b>	Yes		No		Not applicable
Project starting date: <b>March 2004</b>							
Project completion date: <b>December 2006</b>							
Multi site:		<b>x</b>	Yes		No		Not applicable
<b>RESEARCHERS</b>							
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<b>Associated publications / reports: Publications and reports from evaluation of the GAPS model, via Centre for Health Service Development, University of Wollongong</b>							
<b>Topics:</b>							
<b>Planning &amp; Managing Palliative Care Services General</b>							
<b>Doctors (GP's &amp; non-palliative care specialists)</b>							
<b>Rural, remote &amp; other locality issues</b>							
<b>Palliative Care and health care providers general</b>							