

<b>CareSearch Project</b>				<b>0049</b>			
<b>Research Studies Register: Registration Proforma</b>							
<b>Study Title:</b> Development of a statewide coordinated specialist and generalist palliative medicine training program							
<b>Brief description of the study:</b> A preliminary analysis of medical workforce planning data from Victoria indicated that at present there are insufficient palliative medicine specialists practicing in Victoria to meet current service needs, future training of practitioners and expansion of services and accreditation requirements of the Royal College of Physicians. This project will address the lack of specialist palliative care physicians in the long term by focusing on the current inadequate recruitment of specialist trainees and providing a region wide focus on specialist training. A suitable model of palliative care medical support that addresses future workforce issues will be developed for medical palliative care practitioners located in health services, community health centres and stand alone non-government palliative care services.							
<b>Study Methodology: (Please mark with an x which type of study methodology)</b>							
	Epidemiology						
<b>X</b>	<b>Health Services / Health Economics / Quality Improvement</b>						
	Qualitative, Observational or Descriptive						
	Mixed Method						
	Systematic Review						
	Intervention: RCT						
	Intervention: Comparative or cohort study						
	Intervention: Case series						
<b>Project details</b>							
Funding source (Optional): Victorian Government Department of Human Services							
Has the study received ethics approval?		<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Not applicable
Project starting date: July 2007							
Project completion date: Initially July 2009 - Ongoing							
Multi site:		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not applicable
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<b>Associated publications / reports:</b> Progress Update. <a href="#">Coordinated specialist and generalist palliative medicine training program</a> - December 2009 <a href="#">Victorian statewide palliative medicine training program</a> (update Nov 2010)							
<b>Topics: Planning and Managing Palliative Care Services, Educ &amp; Training, Doctors</b>							