What is CareSearch?

CareSearch provides information across the life course, across the system, and across the community for those needing relevant and trustworthy information and resources about palliative care.

What is palliative care?

Palliative care supports quality of life for people with a life-limiting illness by addressing physical symptoms such as pain or nausea, as well as helping with emotional, spiritual, and social needs. It may be introduced early in the illness, alongside active treatment to manage specific symptoms or concerns, or later as the illness progresses. This includes illnesses such as dementia, cancer, and advanced heart, lung, or kidney disease.

Who is CareSearch for?

CareSearch is for anyone providing palliative care and for anyone affected by the need for palliative care.

What it includes

Health professionals can find clinical summaries of evidence and tools to help retrieve evidence, and information on palliative care research processes and projects. There are specific knowledge resources for nurses, GPs and allied health, to support practice and care provision. You can also find information tailored to the needs of patients and families which looks at issues and concerns such as living with illness, managing care, finding services and talking with the palliative care team.

Why should I use it?

Today we have access to a lot of information. When using that information to make decisions about health care it matters that the information is trustworthy. Ongoing access to information is also important. CareSearch provides this when it is needed for anyone with access to the Internet.

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