### Study Title: Accompanying Them Home: The Ethics of Hospice Palliative Care

#### Brief description of the study:
This study is a critical exploration of the broader ethical considerations of the practice. This includes such things as the purpose or goals of the practice and the values underpinning practice.

#### Study Methodology: (Please mark with an x which type of study methodology)
- Epidemiology
- Health Services / Health Economics / Quality Improvement
- **X** Qualitative, Observational or Descriptive
- Mixed Method
- Systematic Review
- Intervention: RCT
- Intervention: Comparative or cohort study
- Intervention: Case series

#### Project details
- **Funding source (Optional):** Australian Postgraduate Award – through Queensland University of Technology
- **Has the study received ethics approval?** Yes
- **Project starting date:** March 2004
- **Project completion date:** March 2007
- **Multi site: 30 Professionals interviewed from various sites in Queensland** Yes

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**Associated publications / reports:** Accompanying them home: the ethics of hospice palliative care
Awarded the 2009 Ian Maddocks Guest Lecture for best abstract submitted by an author under the age of 40.

**Topics:** Philosophy and history of palliative care and approaches to death and dying