

CareSearch Project
Research Studies Register: Registration Proforma

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Study Title: The development and implementation of an evidence-based palliative care teaching program for hospital junior medical staff

Brief description of the study:

The goal of good quality palliative care for all can only be achieved if those providing this care have adequate knowledge and skills. Since the majority of deaths in our community occur in acute hospitals where care is provided by non palliative care specialists, this population is clearly our most appropriate target. General practitioners receive significant postgraduate training in this area which is clearly important, yet junior doctors training in other specialties are relatively neglected despite acknowledgements at all levels, including the doctors themselves, that further palliative care education is necessary. This project will aim to address this need through a needs assessment, and the development, implementation and evaluation of an educational resource.

Study Methodology: (Please mark with an x which type of study methodology)

	Epidemiology
	Health Services / Health Economics / Quality Improvement
	Qualitative, Observational or Descriptive
X	Mixed Method
	Systematic Review
	Intervention: RCT
	Intervention: Comparative or cohort study
	Intervention: Case series

Project details

Funding source (Optional): Victorian Government Department of Human Services

Has the study received ethics approval?	X	Yes		No		Not applicable
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Project starting date: December 2007

Project completion date: December 2008

Multi site:	X	Yes		No		Not applicable
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Associated publications / reports:

Topics: Education and Training, Planning and Managing Palliative Care Services, Doctors