Note: This Project Has Now Closed

Listen, Acknowledge, Respond

Expected outcomes

The LAR project aims to improve the mental health and quality of life for palliative and end of life care for patients, their families and caregivers.

Mind the Gap: a professional development course addressing mental health in palliative care and end-of-life care

Sessions presented over two days.
At completion of the course, you will:

- Appreciate the impact the 'treatment gap' has on the lives of people with advanced chronic and terminal illness
- Understand the meaning people with advanced chronic and terminal illness ascribe to their symptoms, the psychological issues they face and the impact this as on their quality of life
- Be able to demonstrate a level of competency required to plan and facilitate the delivery of mental health interventions that are timely, appropriate and effective, and that address the deeper existential level of the patient's life
- Recognise the benefits and challenges of being part of a transdisciplinary team delivering patient-centred person focused care to the Unit of Care

Endorsed by AASW for 15 hours CPD.
Free delivery nationally during the funded project phase, commencing August 2016 and completing 30 June 2017.

Target audience

Enrolment is open to all nursing, medical and allied health care providers who currently hold a Certificate IV qualification or above. Primary care, rural and regional applicants welcome.
Attendance is encouraged for Social Workers, Welfare Workers, Pharmacists, Psychologists, Occupational Therapists, and Speech Pathologists.

Graduate Certificate in Integrated Chronic and Terminal Care

Equips mental health, allied health, social work and other health care workers, in primary and specialist settings, to support end-of-life psychosocial and psychological care needs for people with advanced chronic and life limiting illness, their families and care givers. Offered via distance education through Charles Sturt University, applications for 2017 enrolments are now open.

Graduate Certificate in Integrated Chronic and Terminal Care

Target audience

Enrolment is open to all nursing, medical and allied health care providers with a minimum three year entry to practice degree qualification. Individuals with extensive relevant industry experience, to the satisfaction of the Course Director, may be considered. Students wishing to apply for admission based on relevant industry experience should discuss requirements with the Course Director prior to applying.