

The Severn Hospice Education Department opened in 1992 and has developed from its inception. We have provided support to healthcare, allied healthcare professions and others who have wanted to learn about palliative care. We as a team have clear aims and objectives to provide a varied and exciting palliative care education programme.



INTRODUCTION

Education is seen as a central part of the work of the Hospice and there are close links between health care professionals and volunteer agencies within Shropshire and Mid Wales. The purpose built facilities at Severn Hospice Shrewsbury and Telford enable education initiatives to take place in a lecture room that is multi-adaptable to suit groups from 10 – 40, with in house catering facilities if required.

The Hospice has both a national and international profile, with Hospice staff presenting work at conferences and visiting places such as Sweden, China, Belarus, India and Argentina to teach about Hospice care. We offer structured placements to visiting medical and nursing staff from all over the world and locally too.

Study days and courses can be designed to suit the individual needs of an organisation and delivered either on site at the Hospice or alternative venue as appropriate.

Hospice education philosophy is characterised by a number of key statements.

- Good value for money
- Able to promote reflective practice and research awareness
- Challenging and motivating to all
- Conducted in a supportive environment
- Sensitive to group and individual needs
- Encouraging personal and professional development
- Accessible to **all** [Health care professionals and associated carers [statutory, social and voluntary]].

The issue of **quality** is vital to our teaching in palliative care and is met by our dynamic education respecting the above philosophy.

SHREWSBURY SITE – BICTON HEATH



Lecture Room

SEPTEMBER 2009

courses being held at [Shrewsbury site](#)

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Facilitator: Garry Kirlew

Date: Tuesday 10 September 2009

Site: **Shrewsbury**

Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm

Cost: £22

Cancer for the Novice – An Introduction

It aims to be a simple and clear introduction to cancer and its treatments in health care. This day is of value if you are interested in building knowledge of

cancer care. Diagnosis techniques, staging and classification, prevention, detection and screening.

Facilitator: Garry Kirlew
Date: Thursday 10th September 2009
Site: **Shrewsbury**
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Facilitator: Robert Becker
Date: 14/15/16 September 2009
Site: **Shrewsbury**
Time: 9.15am – 4.30pm
Cost: £80

The Principles and Practice of Palliative Care

Module Code: HEN 55109-2 and HEN 56115-3

21/22 September 09	9.15 am – 4pm	Shrewsbury Site
28/29 September 09	9.15 am – 4pm	Shrewsbury Site
5/6 October 09	9.15 am – 4pm	Shrewsbury Site
12/13 October 09	9.15 am – 4pm	Shrewsbury Site

This course is for all nurses, midwives and health visitors on the professional register of the Nursing and Midwifery Council, and from any work situation in the hospital, hospice, nursing home or community.

The course is designed to assist you to further your knowledge, skills and understanding of the needs and problems which occur within your own field of practice relating to the dying and bereaved. Areas studied are psychosocial issues, pain and symptom management, and communication issues. The course is now validated and assessed at 15 credits at both diploma and degree level by Staffordshire University Faculty of Health and can be accessed either as a stand alone module or as an option module on the

diploma or degree pathways. The course leader and facilitator is Robert Becker, Macmillan Senior Lecturer in Palliative Care.

Cost: £405 payable to Staffordshire University Faculty of Health
Booking: Contact Faculty of Health, Royal Shrewsbury Hospital 01743 261136

Faculty of Health, Blackheath Lane, Stafford 01785 353766

OCTOBER 2009 – Shrewsbury

Nutrition and Creative Catering in Palliative Care

Its more than just food and supplements - come and see there will be tasting too. This will include discussion and exploration of how nutrition can be developed in the clinical setting - even yours. Do you assess patients nutrition? If so, how does it affect your practice and the meals on the patient's plate.

Facilitator: Garry Kirlew
Date: Tuesday 20th October 2009
Site: **Shrewsbury**
Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm
Cost: £22

Bereavement part 1

This course needs to be considered as the two parts making one whole. Part 1 is theory: What do we understand happens when individuals are bereaved and what responses from ourselves as carers can be useful.

Facilitator: Hospice Social Work Team
Date: Tuesday 27th October 2009
Site: **Shrewsbury**
Time: 1.30pm – 4.30pm
Cost: £22

NOVEMBER 2009 – Shrewsbury

Introduction to Work-place Counselling skills (2 day workshop)

(Limited places of only 15)

This course is open to all grades of staff nursing and non nursing.

The aim:

- To examine the skills needed to use counselling skills as an adjunct to an established profession.
- To explore ways of learning and practicing those skills.
- To identify for relating the learning to participants own roles and work settings

Facilitator: Sheila Cowie

Date: Friday 6 November and Monday 9 November 2009

Site: **Shrewsbury**

Time: 9.30am – 4.30pm

Cost: £100

Hand & Foot Massage (Full Day)

A very practical day where (all nurses and care workers) can learn how to perform the skills of hand and foot massage and how these therapies can help palliative care patients. Delegates must be prepared to participate in practical sessions. Anybody who has already completed either foot or hand massage courses may attend for half the day.

Facilitator: Hospice Complementary Therapy Team

Date: Friday 13th November 2009

Site: **Shrewsbury**

Time: 9.30am – 3.30pm

Cost: £55

Syringe Driver Management Update

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Facilitator: Garry Kirlew

Date: Tuesday 17th November 2009

Site: **Shrewsbury**

Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm

Cost: £22

Lymphoedema Management

An introduction, from anatomy and physiology to starting basic treatment, going through principles and treatment with some hands on practice.

Facilitator: Hospice Physiotherapists
Date: Tuesday 17th November 2009
Site: **Shrewsbury**
Time: 1.30pm – 4.30pm
Cost: £22

Bereavement part 2

Interactive session using case examples and activities to develop our thinking about our own attitudes and ideas about death and how this can impact those we deal with.

Facilitator: Hospice Social Work Team
Date: Tuesday 24th November 2009
Site: **Shrewsbury**
Time: 1.30pm – 4.30pm
Cost: £22

DECEMBER 2009 - Shrewsbury

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Facilitator: Robert Becker
Date: 7/8/9 December 2009
Site: **Shrewsbury**
Time: 9.15am – 4.30pm
Cost: £80

Palliative Care? What is it friend or foe?

What is palliative care?

Who is palliative care for?

Palliative care developments and their influence on practice

Models of death and dying and their influence on practice.

Facilitator: Garry Kirlew

Date: Tuesday 15th December 2009

Site: **Shrewsbury**

Time: 1.30pm – 4.30pm

Cost: £22

JANUARY 2010 - Shrewsbury

Fundamental Communication Skills & You

Looking at:

- Methods of communication
- Active and Passive listening
- Non-verbal communication and gestures – do they matter?

This will be an active participative session, there will be NO role play.

Facilitator: Garry Kirlew

Date: Tuesday 5th January 2010

Site: **Shrewsbury**

Time: 1.30pm – 4.30pm

Cost: £22

Challenging Communication Skills

The next level:

- Communicating difficult issues, the issues challenges
- Questions, open and closed questions, their value and role or otherwise in clinical practice
- Exploring challenging scenarios in palliative care communication.

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Facilitator: Garry Kirlew

Date: Tuesday 12 January 2009

Site: Shrewsbury

Time: 1.30pm – 4.30pm

Cost: £22

Syringe Driver Mini Update

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If you have not attended the previous beginners and update session this is NOT for you.

Facilitator: Garry Kirlew
Date: Tuesday 19th January 2010
Site: **Shrewsbury**
Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm
Cost: £22

FEBRUARY 2010 - Shrewsbury

End of Life, Dying, Terminal Care

- How do we achieve the best experience for our patients?
- Controlled symptoms
- Spiritual as well as the psychological ones
- Good communication between patients relatives and professionals

The focus is the management of symptoms in the last hours and days of life.

Facilitator: Garry Kirlew
Date: Tuesday 2nd February 2010
Site: **Shrewsbury**
Time: 1.30pm – 4.30pm
Cost: £22

Sexuality in Palliative Care part 1 – The undiscovered country

How often does the subject of sexuality and sexual matters come up in conversation with patients and relatives? Not very often? Is it our responsibility to make such talk possible and what does it take? In this workshop we consider the blocks to talking about intimacy and examine how we can be more helpful when we feel least comfortable.

Facilitator: Caroline Clegg
Date: Tuesday 9th February 2010
Site: **Shrewsbury**
Time: 1.30pm – 4.30pm
Cost: £22

MARCH 2010 - Shrewsbury

Sexuality in Palliative Care part 2 – The undiscovered country

Keeping it comfortable. Now we are talking, what are we going to talk about? We'll discuss the language we use to talk about sexual matters, the taboos and no goes and our responsibilities to ourselves and those we work with. This second part is a chance to discuss this subject in a constructive and considered environment. Come with an open mind and be prepared to participate.

Facilitator: Caroline Clegg
Date: Tuesday 2nd March 2009
Site: **Shrewsbury**
Time: 1.30pm – 4.30pm
Cost: £22

Handling and Positioning for Spasticity Management

Looking at effective ways to handle and position patients with neurological problems eg MS, Stroke, MND and cancer related illness. This is a practical session for carers and trained professionals so please dress appropriately. Max 8 people – please book early

Facilitator: Physiotherapy Team
Date: Wednesday 17 March 2010
Site: **Shrewsbury**
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Facilitator: Garry Kirlew
Date: Tuesday 23rd March 2010
Site: **Shrewsbury**
Time: 1.30pm – 4.30pm
Cost: £22

APRIL 2010 – Shrewsbury

Communication Skills (Full Day)

Are you listening? Communication in Palliative Care.

- The process of communication
- Active listening.
- Communicating Difficult Issues.

Facilitator: Garry Kirlew
Date: Tuesday 6th April 2010
Site: **Shrewsbury**
Time: 9.30am – 4.30pm
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Cost: £22

MAY 2010 - Shrewsbury

Relaxation Techniques - Complementary Therapy – (Full Day)

The course will introduce and develop breathing and relaxation techniques which give valuable tools in helping to reduce anxiety, tension and fear whilst promoting a sense of calm and well being.

Facilitator: Complementary Therapists
Date: Friday 7th May 2010
Site: **Shrewsbury**
Time: 9.30am – 3.30pm
Cost: £55

Symptom Control – Nausea/vomiting/constipation/pain (Full Day)

Assessment, management strategies exploring the evidence basis of care in these challenging palliative symptoms it will also consider complementary and non drug interventions. This is relevant for all practitioners.

Facilitator: Garry Kirlew
Date: Tuesday 11th May 2010

Site: **Shrewsbury**
Time: 9.30am - 4.30pm
Cost: £55

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Facilitator: Garry Kirlew
Date: Tuesday 25th May 2010
Site: **Shrewsbury**
Time: 1.30pm – 4.30pm
Cost: £22

JUNE 2010 – Shrewsbury

Let Me Introduce you to Palliative Care (Full Day)

Definitions of palliative care. Holistic care. Quality of life.

- What is palliative care?
- Who is palliative care for?
- Palliative care developments and their influence on practice

Issues, preferred place of care/dying. Non malignant disease.

Facilitator: Garry Kirlew
Date: Tuesday 8th June 2010
Site: **Shrewsbury**
Time: 9.30am – 4.30pm
Cost: £55

The Good Death

What is it and how do we get there? Lets find out, exploring the 'good death'. The focus of this session will be discussion.

Facilitator: Garry Kirlew
Date: Tuesday 22nd June 2010
Site: **Shrewsbury**
Time: 1.30pm – 4.30pm
Cost: £22

JULY 2010 - Shrewsbury

The Ultimate Good Food Challenge (Full Day)

Nutrition and feeding in End of Life Care. Assessment, identifying outcomes in nutrition good and poor. Where is creativity in your mealtimes? Does assessment inform the meal on your patients plate.

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Date: Tuesday 6th July 2010
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Facilitator: Garry Kirlew
Date: Tuesday 13 July 2010
Site: **Shrewsbury**
Time: 1.30pm – 4.30pm
Cost: £22

Ethics and End of Life Care (Full Day)

Is ethics relevant to the patient, professional, relative? What ethical issues are relevant in End of Life Care?

- CPR at all costs?
- PPC (preferred priorities for care)
- Advanced directive
- Nutrition

Facilitator: Garry Kirlew
Date: Wednesday 21 July 2010
Site: **Shrewsbury**
Time: 9.30am – 4.30pm
Cost: £55

TELFORD SITE – APLEY CASTLE



Lecture and Seminar Rooms



SEPTEMBER 2009 Courses - Telford

Palliative Care – The Fundamentals

Definitions of palliative care, holistic care, quality of life. May include a small tour of the hospice.

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Date: Thursday 15th October 2009

Site: **Telford**

Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm

Cost: £22

NOVEMBER 2009 - Telford

Recognising and Addressing Spiritual Needs

Facilitator: Hospice Chaplaincy Team

Date: Thursday 26th November 2009

Site: **Telford**

Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm

Cost: £22

DECEMBER 2009 - Telford

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Facilitator: Garry Kirlew
Date: Thursday 3rd December 2009
Site: **Telford**
Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm
Cost: £22

JANUARY 2010 - Telford

Nausea and Vomiting

Assessment, management strategies exploring the evidence basis of care in this challenging palliative symptom it will also consider complementary and non drug interventions. This is relevant for all practitioners.

Facilitator: Garry Kirlew
Date: Tuesday 26th January 2010
Site: **Telford**
Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm
Cost: £22

FEBRUARY 2010 - Telford

Constipation

Is there anything new in this? Come and find out about the management of this challenging symptom in palliative care. Includes assessment, drug and none drug management.

Facilitator: Garry Kirlew
Date: Tuesday 16th February 2010
Site: **Telford**
Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm
Cost: £22

MARCH 2010 - Telford

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Facilitator: Robert Becker
Date: 3/4/5 March 2010
Site: **Telford**
Time: 9.15am - 4.30pm
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APRIL 2010 - Telford

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Cost: £22

MAY 2010 - Telford

Pain Assessment and Management

This course covers:

- Pain assessment
- Pain theories and pain mechanisms
- Acute and chronic pain
- Pain management strategies, drug and non drug use.

Facilitator: Garry Kirlew

Date: Tuesday 4th May 2010

Site: **Telford**

Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm

Cost: £22

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Date: 16/17/18 June 2010

Site: **Telford**

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 Cost: £22

Severn Hospice Nursing Home Course held at Morris Care, Holyhead Road, Wellington Telford

These courses are to improve your palliative care practice and meet your PREP needs.

Certificate of attendance and handouts given for each session.

Cost £80 if you book all 5 or £22 per session.

1. Trouble Shooting Syringe Drivers
Wednesday 28 October 2009
2pm – 5pm
2. Medications in Palliative Care
Wednesday 2 December 2009
2pm – 5pm
3. Dealing with Grieving Relatives
Wednesday 10 February 2010
2pm – 5pm
4. Asking and Answering Difficult Questions
Wednesday 7 April 2010
2pm – 5pm

5. Spiritual Needs
Wednesday 9 June 2010
2pm – 5pm

Booking: www.severnospice.org.uk follow link to EDUCATION where you will find an application form

Alternatively phone Jenny Gough on 01743 236565 for a form.
Internet based courses

Currently there are 4 courses available to study authored by Bob Becker Senior Lecturer for Severn Hospice and Staffordshire University. They are accessible by registering with the website CancerNursing.org. This website is a non profit making charity and is dedicated to the provision of high quality resources which aim to enhance the understanding and the skills of health professionals and others concerned with the care of cancer and palliative care patients.

The website offers:

- authoritative content written by expert health professionals;
- a range of tests to allow learners to assess themselves on their understanding of course material;
- links to, and information about, other valuable resources;
- a constantly-updated series of frequently-asked questions and answers and a glossary of definitions of key terms;
- the opportunity to send questions to course experts.

The key benefits of studying on line are:

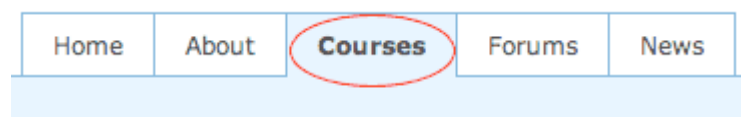
- the courses are freely available to a global body of learners
- they are flexible: learners can engage in the courses, and assess their understanding, at their own pace and from anywhere that they enjoy an internet connection
- they are authoritative and reliable, authored and developed by specialists in their field.

How do I register with the website:

a) Open your internet browser, type in the following address and press 'enter'
<http://www.cancernursing.org/>

You will now be on the home page of the website.

b) Following **the 'Courses' link** from the navigation bar at the top of the screen.



c) Following **the 'Sign in to the courses' link** from the Courses home page.

Courses



CancerNursing.org courses provide flexible learning resources that you can work through at your own pace, and in whatever order you wish, from wherever you have an Internet connection. All of our courses allow you:

You are then presented with **the login screen**, into which you type your chosen username and password. Once this simple process is complete you can then access the courses whenever you choose.

Introduction to Palliative Care Nursing

The aim of this course is to provide an introduction to the subject of palliative care nursing. After covering the key principles of this area of nursing care, a series of competency self-assessment exercises are offered to enable a nurse to assess their own skills and to draw up an action plan for development. A case study, with accompanying activities which encourage you to reflect on key palliative care competencies, is also presented.

This course is primarily aimed at nurses and health professionals who come into contact with, and manage the care of, patients in a palliative setting. Although less experienced nurses will gain the most from the course, the focus on competence assessment means that experienced palliative nurses will find benefit from reassessing their knowledge and skills. The course will also be of value to anyone who has an interest in palliative care nursing in general.

Pain 1 - The Nature of Pain and Suffering

Understanding the nature of pain and suffering is a complex challenge for nurses in any environment, but is essential knowledge before the accurate assessment and management of that pain is attempted. This course looks closely at the way pain is described and defined and what we understand are the most common causes of pain.

Pain 2 - The Assessment of Pain

The accurate assessment of pain is the cornerstone to successful pain relief and long term management of that pain. Without it there are many facets of the patient's experience that can be missed and consequently their pain may not be well controlled. This course takes a comprehensive look at all the components of a successful holistic pain assessment. It challenges the learner to consider their practice in this area with the use of a case study and competencies to assess the level of their skills.

Pain 3 - The Management of Pain

This course takes a comprehensive look at the management of pain and suffering as understood from the patient's lived experience and applied to nursing practice. Both pharmacological and non-pharmacological pain management strategies are examined and an opportunity is provided for the nurse to assess their skills and competence in pain management via the use a case study and self assessment competencies.

Cancer Care Online Award

Module Code: HEN 55100-1

Credits: 15 at level 1

Cost: £52.50

Enrolment dates: Ongoing through terms 1, 2 and 3 of the academic year via online access, with tutorial support via email.

This award is for any health or social care practitioner who wishes to learn more about specific aspects of cancer and palliative care. A Certificate of Credit from Staffordshire University will be awarded on successful completion of the required assessments.

Award Detail: This is a flexible, web based module, accessed via the charitable web site <http://www.cancernursing.org>. The site comprises a range of courses in cancer and palliative care, 3 of which can be elected for study and assessment from a total of 5. Each course comprises detailed knowledge of specific cancers or palliative care and is organised to involve the use of case studies, directed activities and self assessment tools to help you to progress through the courses and apply your learning to clinical practice.

Award Leader: Robert Becker, Senior Lecturer in Palliative Care, Severn Hospice and Staffordshire University

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