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HOPE 2010

6th Annual Hospice – Palliative Essentials
by TAPM and T&NMHO

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Date: January 30th, 2010
Location: ***Education Service Center Region XV, 612 S Irene St, San Angelo, TX 76903***

Because of numerous requests, plus a generous donation help defray registration costs, this year's HOPE program is being held in San Angelo, Texas.
Hospice Palliative Essentials is designed to cover essential hospice and palliative care educational topics of practical interest to participants.

HOPE PROGRAM

Overview	This annual program reviews essential hospice and palliative medicine concepts of interest to clinicians. Topics being covered this year include prognostication, communication, avoiding non-beneficial treatments, pain and other symptom management, and ethical issues. TAPM's Audience Response System will be used to facilitate participant involvement.
Schedule	**Topics**
8:00 – 8:30	*Registration*
8:30 – 8:45	*Welcome, Introductions & Announcements*
8:45 – 10:15	**Prognostication & Communication** - Determining an individual's prognosis and communicating that information in an empathetic and caring fashion is a prerequisite for optimal palliative management.
10:15 – 10:30	*Break*
10:30 – 11:30	**Benefits of Palliative Care in Avoiding Non-beneficial Treatments** - Palliative care has re-emerged as an alternative to non-beneficial treatments in general and to offering techniques for avoiding unwanted or non-beneficial therapies.
11:30 – 12:30	**Essentials of Pain Assessment & Management** - There is an ethical obligation to provide relief, whenever possible. Additionally, it is not possible for patients to work on other goals of care when pain is unrelieved.
12:30 – 1:15	*Lunch (provided)*
1:15 – 2:15	**Non-pain Symptom Assessment & Treatment** - This session will review the assessment and management of several non-pain symptoms commonly encountered in the hospice and palliative care setting.
2:15 – 3:15	**Advanced Comfort Techniques** - Standard measures provide relief in up to 90% of cases. This session will discuss how to ensure the comfort of the remaining 10% of difficult cases, and how to effect adequate comfort when rapid relief is needed.
3:15 – 3:30	*Break*
3:30 – 5:00	**Ethical Issues** - This session will review a number of common ethical concerns, including decisions regarding palliative sedation, concerns of patient spirituality, and other issues as determined by the participants.
Faculty	**Rodney Bolejack, D.Min** (Denton), **Ronald Crossno, MD** (Rockdale), **Tommie Farrell, MD** (Lubbock), **Linda Tavel, MD** (Houston)

The Texas Academy of Palliative Medicine and the Texas & New Mexico Hospice Organization are dedicated to improving the care of patients who can benefit from hospice and palliative care services.

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Continuing Education:
Application for CME credit has been filed with the American Academy of Family Physicians.
Determination of credit is pending.

Texas & New Mexico Hospice Organization is an approved provider of continuing nursing education by the Texas Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. This activity meets Type I criteria for mandatory continuing education requirements toward relicensure as established by the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas.

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Registration **Fee: $50** The cost of registration includes CME or CNE accreditation, reference materials and lunch. Space is limited, so please register early.	**Cancellation Policy:** Cancellations received in writing by Monday, January 25, 2010, will be entitled to a refund, less a $10 administrative fee. Conference "no-shows" forfeit their entire registration fee. Substitutions are welcome, but please inform TAPM in writing if a substitute is attending in your place. Telephone cancellations cannot be accepted; faxed cancellations are acceptable.
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