

Policy Forum for Wales Keynote Seminar: Next steps for end of life and palliative care in Wales

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 3rd October 2013

Venue: Radisson Blu Hotel, Meridian Gate, Bute Terrace, Cardiff CF10 2FL



Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chairman's opening remarks**
Kirsty Williams AM, Member, Health and Social Care Committee, National Assembly for Wales and Leader, Welsh Liberal Democrats
- 9.05 - 9.15 **Palliative care in Wales**
Professor the Baroness Finlay of Llandaff, Chair, Palliative Care Implementation Board
- 9.15 - 9.30 **Hospices in Wales: the next steps for the sector**
Emma Saysell, Chair, Hospices Cymru and Chief Executive Officer and Director of Nursing, St David's Foundation Hospice Care
- 9.30 - 10.30 **Organisational and funding challenges for the sector**
What implementation challenges will the National End of Life Care Delivery Plan present for organisations such as NHS, Local Health Boards, local authorities, care providers and hospices? How can the NHS develop more effective relationships with care homes and hospices? What can NHS Wales and Welsh Government do in order to ensure an appropriate balance between third sector and NHS provision of end of life and palliative care? Are there innovative approaches that can be taken by local authorities and local health boards to sustain services and address the long-term planning and 'zero-cash' funding issues for care, especially considering that the growing ageing population in Wales is likely to lead to an increased demand on hospices and other providers? What will be the impact of the recent report commissioned by the Welsh Government recommending limiting the business rate relief received by charity shops, and how can hospices more generally address the challenge of fundraising in the current economic environment?
Dr Helen Herbert, Chair, RCGP Wales End of Life Care Network and GP Lead, North Ceredigion Locality, Hywel Dda Health Board
Dr Richard Hain, Consultant in Paediatric Palliative Medicine and Lead Clinician, Welsh Paediatric Palliative Medicine Network, Children's Hospital for Wales
Siân Walker, Director of Health & Social Care, Cardiff Council
Questions and comments from the floor with **Emma Saysell**, Chair, Hospices Cymru and Chief Executive Officer and Director of Nursing, St David's Foundation Hospice Care
- 10.30 - 10.35 **Chairman's closing remarks**
Kirsty Williams AM, Member, Health and Social Care Committee, National Assembly for Wales and Leader, Welsh Liberal Democrats
- 10.35 - 11.00 Coffee
- 11.00 - 11.05 **Chairman's opening remarks**
Janet Finch-Saunders AM, Member, Cross Party Group on Hospices/Palliative Care and Shadow Minister for Local Government, Welsh Conservatives
- 11.05 - 11.30 **Providing quality care**
Andrew Wilson-Mouasher, Divisional General Manager, Marie Curie Cancer Care
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.30 - 12.30 **Service delivery and supporting quality of care**
What can be done to improve overall patient experience in end of life care settings, in particular ensuring palliative needs are identified early? How can health and social care staff support more people to die in their home or place of care and not in hospitals? What specific measures need to be taken in order to improve end of life care plans and arrangements, in particular to encourage more people to talk about and plan for the end of life? What further training and support for health professionals is necessary in order to improve communication with patients and families with regard to end of life plans and arrangements for care? How can the NHS monitor the delivery of local services so that high standards of care can be achieved in Wales, whilst taking into consideration local circumstances? How can results from the ongoing patient feedback from Dying Well Matters - such as issues with communication, and multidisciplinary working - be best used in order to achieve high-quality and patient-centred care? How can the number of people who have access to 24/7 care, including specialist services for patients that require this, be increased?
Rachel Podolak, Head of Welsh Affairs, General Medical Council
Dr Melanie Jefferson, Consultant in Palliative Care, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board and Vice-Chair, Palliative Care Implementation Board
Martin Semple, Acting Director, RCN Wales
Sue Phelps, Director, Alzheimer's Society in Wales
Jayne Saunders, Director of Care, Tŷ Hafan
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 - 12.55 **The next steps for implementing the delivery plan**
Professor the Baroness Finlay of Llandaff, Chair, Palliative Care Implementation Board
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chairman's and Policy Forum for Wales closing remarks**
Janet Finch-Saunders AM, Member, Cross Party Group on Hospices/Palliative Care and Shadow Minister for Local Government, Welsh Conservatives
Siân Nicholson, Forum Lead, Policy Forum for Wales