

NMELC
Nevada Multicultural
End-of-Life CARE Coalition
(YR 2008 SCHEDULE/TOPICS)

CONFERENCE PROGRAM AGENDA: 11.13.08

Mission Statement: Provide a forum for organizations and community leaders to improve access and education on end-of-life health services for our diverse multicultural communities.

JOIN IN THE DIALOGUE- Continuing Education
Observance: NATIONAL HOSPICE MONTH

**“Why We Need to Focus on
Hospice / Palliative Health Care in Nevada:
Strengthening messages, unifying voices,
Medicare/ Healthcare Reform updates!”**

DATE/TIME: Thursday, Nov 13, 2008 (9am-11am)

VENUE: Las Vegas (COOPERATIVE EXTENSION, class C and D-Windmill/Hwy 215)

RSVP: afroman@unr.nevada.edu (rsvp preferred)

CHARGE: FREE, new members welcome

Coalition Websites:
www.healthethics.org (Multicultural Education) or
www.nvmulticulturalcoalition.org

Our coalition is under the following auspices:



Nevada Center for Ethics
and Health Policy
in Partnership with
Southern Area Cooperative Extension



University of Nevada- Reno



*No one should end the journey
of life alone, afraid or in pain*

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Launching of New NMELC Committee: "Hospice Care" (Nov 13, 2008)
Nevada Hospice Alliance Committee

Emcee.....Mark Simmons – Exploring Life Transitions

- i. Invocation.... Chaplain-Creekside
- ii. Special Recognition: Breakfast Sponsor - Family Home Hospice (Lane)
- iii. Anniversary Message- HAPPY 4TH BIRTHDAY NMELC...Elisabet "Lizzie" Romero, Administrative Faculty
(NV Center for Ethics and Health Policy)
- iv. Reflection of Hospice Month.....*A Caregivers Poem- Lisa A. Franqui ,MAT Bereavement*
- v. Introduction of Hospice/Palliative Care "Nevada Players List": Who's at the table?
- vi. Hospice / Palliative Care (Strengthening Our Message) Vicki A Koceja, Phd, St Rose Dominican Hospitals
- vii. "Hospice 2020- What the future will bring us": Focus on end of life care, Medicare updates, Future of
Healthcare Reform, etc. (Message from J. Donald Schumacher, PsyD, NHPCO), Helen Prose,Rn,
- viii. Nevada's Call to Action ...Cassandra Cotton. BSHS, (Community Relations Outreach, Nathan Adelson
Hospice)
- ix. Reflections .. Questions Concerns
- x. Community General Announcements

COMMITTEE PLAYER'S LIST

Caring Hands Hospice

1. Edith C Avanzado, Administrator-
2. Melecio Avanzado - Director and Volunteer Coordinator-Caring Hands Hospice and
3. Marciano Tamayo - Chief Compliance Officer-Caring Hands Hospice

Infinity Hospice

1. Brian Breshem, Vice President
2. Doug McCreary, Director of Development
3. Dee Williams

St Rose Palliative Care Program:

1. Vicki Koceja
2. Shelly Huston

Family Home Hospice:

1. Lane

Nathan Adelson Hospice:

1. Cassandra Cotton (Committee Facilitator)
2. Terri Gurevich

NV Center for Ethics and Health Policy:

1. LV: Elisabet "Lizzie" Romero, Allan Froman
2. Reno: staff

Exploring Life Transitions:

1. Mark Simmons

No. Nevada (teleconferencing to include other hospice/palliative care programs-future emphasis):

1. Renown Health Medical Center: palliative care department: Katherine Dawson
2. Circle of Life Hospice: tbd
3. Others: tbd

4 year anniversary- a coalition founders' message:

As we reflect back on our four years together... we can see so many images of persons that have crossed our personal and professional paths within our coalition.

We have been witness to starts of small wonderful ideas that initially seemed insurmountable, and yet oftentimes took a life of its own to the point of full realization and positive fruition.

And most importantly, despite all of our incredibly unique and diverse backgrounds: whether they involve our educational, experiential or even our place of birth around the globe it has positively served our ability to complement each other's differences.

We stand here today, as a continued testament to our Nevada community for what diversity of beliefs, cultures, opinions, and knowledge can offer humanity.

May we have many more years of fruitful dialogue and personal growth, with a coalition as strong as the people that join this effort... and with a mission as heartfelt and noble as the day in which it was created... may it continue to be served with the same level of community outreach passion and integrity for which we are regarded.

Congratulations to the membership of our Nevada Multicultural End of Life Care Coalition....

Lizzie Romero, 11/13/08.