

Hospice Palliative Care Ontario

HPCO is a provincial association of hospice and palliative care providers, professionals, and support workers

Our Purpose

To create a future where everyone has access to quality hospice palliative care

Our Values

To Unify the voice of collaborative, quality, hospice palliative care within Ontario

Our Mission

Providing leadership through informing of policy, promoting awareness, education, best practices and knowledge transfer



What is Hospice care?

- Hospice care provides support to individuals with life-limiting illnesses
- These services are for individuals to live as comfortably as possible in a homelike setting to enhance quality end-of-life care
- Hospice consist of both **Visiting** and **Residential**
- Patients live within residential home while receiving service and care; nurses/caretakers go to patients for in-house visiting hospice

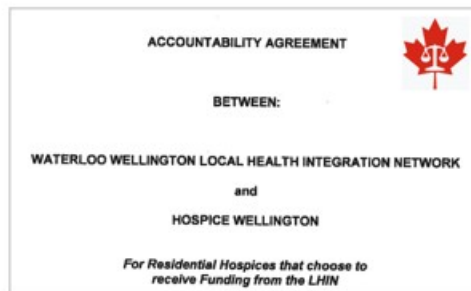
GRIEF & LOSS:

The Impact of Experiencing Loss & Bereavement



Policy Analyst Project

The Overarching objective of the project is to understand the current implications to hospice residences in being designated "health service providers" (HSP) by the Ministry of Health.



My Responsibilities:

- Develop a briefing note on relevant legislation
- Conduct a policy analysis report

Assignment	Key Tasks	Deliverable
Background & Literature research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collecting information from hospice residences, legislation, and accountability agreements Establish a map of current accountabilities related to hospice residence 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct Briefing Note Conduct Policy Report
Interpretation & Analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyzing information from different hospice residences, legislation, and accountability agreements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct Briefing Note Conduct Policy Report

Significance of Work

HSP Policy Analyst Project Significance:

- Information gathered regarding accountability for current hospice care and hospice residences in being designated "health service providers" is critical to assist in **decision-making**
- Collecting, assessing, and interpreting legislation helps provide the organization with better understanding of hospice care delivery

Reflection

Working at HPCO was a unique experience because...

- It was my first real life health work experience
- I've established my own independence by having the flexibility in my approach of work
- I've learn to be direct and concise within my interpretation of research because time is critical



Advice for Future Students

- Communication is **key**
- Take **initiative**; reach out and connect with people
- Be **confident** in your work
- Don't be afraid** to ask questions when you're at crossroads
- Manage your time**; meet deadlines, a calendar

