

## ABOUT US

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Old Colony Hospice & Palliative Care has been providing compassionate hospice care since 1979 and we are proud to serve over 50 Massachusetts cities and towns in our service area. We are a free-standing, non-profit, Medicare-certified, CHAP accredited healthcare organization that provides services through a core staff of registered nurses, social workers, counselors, volunteers, hospice aides, and consultants. From the moment you contact Old Colony Hospice & Palliative Care, you will experience a uniquely personal approach that focuses on caring for patients and their families. We take a team approach delivering care to our patients and their loved ones, providing a dignified experience that respects their wishes at every stage.

## MORE INFORMATION



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## HOW TO SCHEDULE AN EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION

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If you would like more information or to schedule a program please call the Education Department at Old Colony Hospice and Palliative Care at **781.341.4145** or via email at **[Education@OldColonyHospice.com](mailto:Education@OldColonyHospice.com)**

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## EDUCATIONAL OFFERINGS



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# AVAILABLE PRESENTATIONS

- **EVERYTHING YOU WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT HOSPICE BUT WERE AFRAID TO ASK**

*We address the who, what, when, where, why and how of Hospice Care. (a.k.a. Hospice 101)*

- **PALLIATIVE CARE vs. HOSPICE CARE \*\***

*There is much confusion around what constitutes palliative care and how it differs from hospice care. We explain appropriateness for a person facing a progressive, life limiting, chronic illness to determine what supportive and comforting services can be the most beneficial.*

- **CARING FOR THE CAREGIVER: COMPASSION FATIGUE**

*Caring for the sick or elderly can consume a lot of energy and empathy. Learn what causes compassion fatigue, and how to diagnose and treat the symptoms within yourself and others.*

- **ALTERNATIVE & COMPLIMENTARY THERAPIES IN HOSPICE**

*Add an extra dimension of care to Hospice's commitment to nurturing the body, mind, and spirit. Therapies we discuss are music and pet therapies, Reiki, gentle touch therapies, and aromatherapy.*

- **RECOGNIZING HOSPICE TRIGGERS \*\***

*Assessing for hospice can be difficult and time consuming. There is no crystal ball. This offering explores the eligibility requirements set by Medicare and how hospices determine eligibility.*

- **PAIN & SYMPTOMS AT END OF LIFE**

*The dying process can be painful and accompanied by unpleasant symptoms. In this program we discuss assessment and treatment of pain while dispelling misconceptions. We also review signs and symptoms of impending death, summarize care and comfort techniques, and present ways to help families cope after the loss of a loved one.*

- **ADVANCE DIRECTIVES / MOLST REVIEW**

*Working through Advance Directives and MOLST forms can be daunting. Here we get everyone on the same page regarding why these forms are important and how to get them completed.*

- **ETHICAL DILEMMAS AT END OF LIFE**

*When two core values conflict, what's the right thing to do? Ethical dilemmas occur often at end of life. This workshop formatted presentation explores these difficult situations with a focus on patients at end of life.*

- **INTRO TO DEMENTIA, HOSPICE CARE & HABILITATION THERAPY \*\***

*The most frequent diagnosis we see in hospice is dementia, here we review what happens at the end stages of disease, how hospice fits and how to use non-pharmacological interventions in care.*

- **TREATING DELIRIUM**

*Delirium or terminal agitation can be one of the more difficult symptoms to manage at end of life. This program explores the different interventions for treating delirium.*

- **DEMENTIA LIVE ® - SIMULATION AND IMMERSION EXPERIENCE**

*We are able to collaborate with other agencies to provide an interactive presentation that provides understanding of how the individual with dementia feels. Dementia Live ® uses specialized gear within a safe, experiential setting that allows participants to gain greater awareness of the struggles with dementia, share personal reactions and integrate improvements in care with Empowerment Tools.*

- **CUSTOMIZE A PROGRAM TO FIT YOUR NEEDS:**

*Need something specific? Just let us know...*

**All programs are compliant with 244 CMR 6.0 for nursing education requirements.**  
**Programs marked with: \*\* offer CEs for nurses, social workers & case managers.**