The Hospice Stories Project

Community Partners Working to...

Raise awareness, increase access to and improve the quality of culturally-responsive end-of-life care (hospice) for individuals and families within the Hmong, Somali and Latino communities in Saint Paul and the East Metro.

Project Partners:



The mission of MNPHC is to promote quality of life in our communities through advance care planning, palliative care and hospice. We accomplish this by raising awareness and fostering excellence in services through education, partnerships, and convening. www.mnhpc.org



The mission of ECHO (Emergency, Community, Health & Outreach) is to collaborate with diverse communities to deliver programs and services that help people be healthy, contribute, and succeed. www.echominnesota.org





SoLaHmo is a community-driven research program of West Side Community Health Services (WSCHS), the largest community health center in Minnesota. WSCHS provides culturally and linguistically sensitive health care to almost 36,000 unique patients annually. www.westsidechs.org

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Educational Tools



Hospice Digital Video Shorts: Honoring Values in End-of-Life Care

These videos, available online and as DVD's, were designed to educate individuals and families from multicultural communities on end-of-life care. Speakers from the Somali, Hmong, Spanish, and English-speaking communities present perspectives on the values, traditions, and experiences that shape the choices individuals and their families make at the end of life. Hospice care is introduced as one end-of-life care option that may benefit individuals and families across many cultural traditions.

Hospice Radio Stories: Voices from Our Community

These poignant radio stories reflect individuals and families' intimate experiences with hospice care in the United States. Featuring the experiences of families from Hmong, Somali and Latino communities in MN, these stories highlight some of the challenges that these families face at end of life and the role quality hospice care can play in offering individuals and their family peace and comfort in their final months.

Community Outreach

In an effort to engage communities in end-of-life and hospice conversations, we are participating in community events and professional conferences to discuss these topics and present the digital and radio educational media. Community members and providers have opportunities to discuss and learn about potential obstacles in living life fully to the very end. Interested in hosting a community event? Please contact MNHPC at info@mnhpc.org.

To access digital, radio and print resources, visit:

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