Palliative Care Matters (PCM)

PCM is a pan-Canadian initiative to improve access to quality palliative care services for all Canadians. Three core values define the PCM approach: 1) patient/family/public focus, 2) evidence-based, and 3) collaborative.

Covenant Health is collaborating with 13 of Canada’s leading national health organizations and experts in palliative care and health policy. Together, we have listened to Canadians, hosted a Consensus Development Conference, and developed a plan for immediate and short-term opportunities for change in health services. PCM is aligned with federal initiatives to promote improvements in palliative and end-of-life care services as a result of the 2017 royal assent of Bill C-277 Framework on Palliative Care in Canada.

Purpose: Foster a conversation between the public, researchers, and health system leaders about working together to develop and implement actions to improve Canadians’ access to high quality and end-of-life care.

Stakeholder Analysis

A stakeholder is any person or organizational group with an interest in or the ability to affect the system or its environment.

Stakeholder analysis is a study of the positive and negative effects of people who can influence, or are influenced by a program.

Purpose: Understanding the leadership, resources and interests of palliative care stakeholders in Canada will help engage organizations and more effectively work together.

- to identify organizations and individuals with decision-making authority that have a key role in improving palliative care (Phase I);
- to survey key stakeholders and understand how the 2018 Framework on Palliative Care in Canada informs their work (Phase II); and
- to develop, implement and evaluate an engagement strategy which facilitates key stakeholders working together at a national level. (Phase III)

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