

Palliative Care Services

CLINICAL PASTORAL EDUCATION INTERNSHIP
(focused in Hospice Palliative Care and Oncology)
April 30 – July 13, 2012
Regina, Saskatchewan

Who Should Consider This Clinical Internship?

Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) in our Teaching Centre may be for you if:

- You are seeking training in a clinical setting for institutional or community ministries of spiritual care; or
- You are a healthcare professional interested in better understanding this domain of care; and
- You have a particular interest in the spiritual care of those with life-limiting illnesses

In the spring/summer of 2012, Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region Palliative Care Services proposes to offer an 11-week (400-hour) intensive CPE program *focused in Hospice Palliative Care and Oncology* for a small group of 4 – 6 persons. We accept persons of all faiths who meet the requirements for CPE and demonstrate suitability for the particular focus of our program.

This program is ideal for those undertaking CPE at the Advanced level of training. Basic CPE students will be considered who demonstrate maturity in life and ministry and who have an interest in Hospice Palliative Care. Applicants will demonstrate suitability for multi-faith spiritual and religious care in an interdisciplinary healthcare environment.

The Teaching Centre and Instructor

Our program is accredited as a Teaching Centre for CPE by the Canadian Association for Spiritual Care (CASC/ACSS – formerly CAPPE/ACPEP). We utilize a Canadian competency-based core curriculum specifically developed for training spiritual care providers in the provision of quality end-of-life care. We provide participants with a unique opportunity to learn in one of Canada's few fully integrated, multi-site Hospice Palliative Care programs, following patients through a continuum of specialty care, acute care, hospice care, long-term care and home care. Our partnership with our regional cancer centre permits learners to experience serious illness in both a day clinic and oncology ward setting and to become acquainted with the often difficult transition to palliative care.

Dan Cooper is a CASC certified Specialist (Pastoral Care) and Teaching Supervisor (CPE). He has 35 years of ministry experience, including 16 as a Palliative Care Chaplain. He has been recognized for his leadership in the spiritual care of the dying and as an educator by several regional and Canadian organizations.

Interested persons should contact the educator for a preliminary discussion and an application package prior to January 31, 2012 at (Dan.Cooper@rqhealth.ca or 306-766-2294). Completed written applications are screened by committee. An admission interview will be offered to those whose written materials demonstrate suitability for the program.