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Bethesda Hospital links up to online Palliative Care Resources

Bethesda Hospital is excited to announce that they have become a founding collaborator with e-hospice, which was launched globally on 2 October 2012, and is managed in Australia by Palliative Care Australia (PCA). The Claremont based hospital is the only private hospital in WA to be a member of ehospice.

ehospice is the first globally managed news app and website that will deliver international news and intelligence on hospice, palliative and end of life care. Readers via online or using their iphone and ipad will have access to current news, best practice, jobs, and events from around the globe.

Dr Yvonne Luxford, PCA Chief Executive Officer said that 'ehospice will bring together the expertise and experience of the global hospice and palliative care community in one place for the first time'.

The Hospital has an outstanding reputation in the provision of palliative care, through their 24 bed in-patient Palliative Care Unit (PCU), and their Palliative Ambulatory Service North (PASN) – a mobile consultancy service based at the Hospital and funded by the WA Health Department.

Bethesda has also just become partners in a collaborative palliative care learning project with The University of Notre Dame (Australia) and University of Western Australia. This project provides nursing and medical students with the opportunity to learn about the provision of palliative care, either at the Hospital or in the community whilst being supported by Bethesda Hospital staff, a nursing scholar, and a Palliative Care Physician.

'Bethesda Hospital is committed and passionate about palliative care service provision, and being part of ehospice is a fantastic way to share our valuable resources and expertise with others, as well as provide easy to access information for patients', said Ms Yasmin Naglazas, Bethesda Hospital's Chief Executive Officer.

Please visit ehospice.com for further information or to download the app.

Bethesda Hospital is an independent 88-bed award-winning hospital in Claremont, which has been providing care and service to the Western Australian community for nearly 70 years.

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Pic: Patient at Touhy Nursing Home Graham Mason with PASN Social Worker Tina Dobrin and Ed Gaudoin PASN Clinical Nurse Consultant

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