# Calvary Hospital 2016 Community Service Plan

Calvary Hospital is the only long term acute care specialty hospital in the United States dedicated to end of life and palliative care. Calvary's Mission and expertise offers a unique opportunity to improve the overall health of the residents of New York. In addition, since Calvary serves as the tertiary care referral center for end of life illness in the greater NY area, Calvary's community not only includes its catchment area, but the health care providers in these areas as well.

**Service Area:** Calvary Hospital provides services in Manhattan, the Bronx, Queens, Brooklyn, Westchester, and Long Island. Through the Palliative Care Institute, we serve the international communities as well.

**Participating Hospitals and Hospital Systems:** Calvary routinely receives input from all hospitals and health systems in its catchment area. Through the Palliative Care Institute (PCI), Calvary works directly with the Medical Schools in the New York area, NYC EMS services, and the National Cancer Institute.

**LHDs:** Calvary works directly with the NYCDOH, as well as at the local, state, and national level. Additional input is obtained through the Greater New York Hospital Association (GNYHA), Bronx Coalition, American Hospital Association (AHA), and the Hospital Association of New York State (HANYS.)

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# **Executive Summary**

For over 110 years, Calvary Hospital has been the only acute care hospital in the United States dedicated to the care of the advanced cancer patient, other terminally ill patients, and their families. The expertise of the Medical Staff is focused on treating the constellation of unbearable symptoms that are associated with the most acutely ill end-of-life patients.

Calvary Hospital is a 225 bed, fully accredited, specialty hospital exclusively dedicated to the palliative care of adult patients in the advanced stages of cancer and other serious or end-of-life patients. In addition to its inpatient programs at both the Bronx and Brooklyn Campuses, Calvary provides outpatient, home care, hospice, nursing home hospice, and inpatient wound care services. Calvary is committed to the non-abandonment of its patients and families, and provides its services in an environment that recognizes the physical, psychological, spiritual, and emotional needs of its patients.

Calvary Hospital is committed to assuring that its quality of care is consistently high and is provided in a safe, effective, and efficient manner. Through a variety of programs and services, the Hospital has focused its mission on meeting the needs of advanced and serious or end-of-life patients and their family members.

Based on its unique experience and role in the healthcare community, Calvary Hospital is addressing the Mental Health needs of the community through its extensive Bereavement Program. This program provides free, therapeutic, evidence-based interventions for bereaved individuals, regardless of where their loved one died. The needs/education of clinicians in the community are provided through numerous educational programs offered by Bereavement Services to clinicians working with bereaved family members. Chronic Disease was chosen and is addressed through the Palliative Care Institute, which educates providers and medical students throughout the tri state area on end of life care and palliative services.

The following data was reviewed in selecting our priorities for 2016:

### **Bereavement Services**

### Community Service Assessment

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### Current State

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# **Palliative Care Education**

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### Palliative Care Education cont'd

#### • CAPC Registry Data:

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The following partners are working with Calvary Hospital to assess, implement, and provide feedback on the initiatives identified above:

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Dereavement Services	
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# 2016 Community Service Plan Report

### 1. Community Served

As a referral center for end of life care, Calvary Hospital serves the greater New York community. The specific communities served for these initiatives are:

#### • Bereavement Services

Calvary offers bereavement support groups in the Bronx, Brooklyn, and Manhattan for adults who have lost loved ones who were cared for at Calvary or through our home hospice, or who come from the community at large. All our groups are free and open to the community. Our groups encourage family members and friends to share their experiences of loss and sorrow, to help them find solace and strength to continue with their lives.

Calvary has one of the metropolitan area's few bereavement programs specifically for young children, and also one of the few for bereaved adolescents and young adults (ages 18-25). Children and teens who participate in bereavement support groups during the year are invited to attend Calvary's Camp Compass<sup>®</sup>, our summer bereavement camp. We just completed our 19<sup>th</sup> year. **The program operates** by offering a camp/counselor ratio of 2:1, so the children always have someone to talk to or be with.

#### Clinical Interventions:

- Home visits (all areas served by @ Home) home visits are made only to family members considered to be at high risk for complicated grief
- Support Groups (Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan)
- Individual Sessions (for Calvary patients' family members)
- Camp Compass<sup>®</sup> (19<sup>th</sup> year!)
- Memorial Services (Bronx/Brooklyn/Manhattan)
- Workshops specific to holidays, pertinent mental health topics (e.g., cutting and self-injurious behaviors)

#### Education:

- Community Lectures
- Outreach Programs
- 10 week Bereavement Course currently our 23 year
- Graduate Student Internships
- Mentors through Mourning Program (for teachers and guidance counselors including crisis intervention and returning terminally ill children to school) currently in our 14<sup>th</sup> year

#### Ad hoc Research

- In progress, Research study with MSKCC: "Identifying Family Members in Need of Support during Palliative Care and Bereavement."
- Consultant Montefiore-Einstein Center for Cancer Care: The BOLD Buddy Program
- Stakeholder Albert Einstein College of Medicine, PCORI Study (Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute)

# **Community Served cont'd**

#### • Palliative Care Provider Education

The Palliative Care Institute (PCI), Calvary Hospital's research and education division, aims to communicate the expertise that Calvary has developed in relieving the suffering of patients and families with advanced illness. The foundations of this care are clinical competence, a philosophy of non-abandonment and love. Each year, more than 800 medical students, residents, fellows and other health care professionals receive training in palliative care through the PCI. This includes a formalized program for the New York City Fire Department Emergency Medical Services. The PCI also sponsors *Inside Calvary: Compassion and Competence in Palliative Care* - a three-day on-site training program that offers direct patient/family observation and interaction in the actual treatment setting to caregivers throughout the United States

In 2005, the National Cancer Institute (NCI) designated Calvary an "International Center for Training in Palliative Care". Physicians and nurses from Israel, Palestine, Egypt, Turkey, Jordan, and Cyprus are sent to Calvary's PCI for up to six months to learn the expertise we provide. The ultimate goal is to improve the quality of palliative care delivered throughout the Middle East.

PCI research projects include an NIH collaborative study with Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center (MSKCC) investigating "The Desire for a Hastened Death in Terminally III Cancer Patients", an NIH study with MSKCC and Fordham University on "Measuring Hope and Hopelessness at the End of Life" and an NIH study with MSKCC assessing "Family Focused Grief Therapy".

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# 3. Prevention Agenda Priorities

# a. Mental Health

# **Title: Bereavement Services**

Bereavement Services in NYS are extremely limited. Community based bereavement programs have been established in the Bronx Brooklyn, and Manhattan communities for all ages. In addition, Camp Compass, administered in a joint effort with over 10 different charitable foundations provides bereavement services to children in a camp setting.

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# ii. Engaging the Broader Community

The broader community is engaged through ongoing presentations, lectures, and publicizing the services offered, as well as partnerships with several colleges and universities to educate the future providers in the field.

Bereavement Staff provides lectures and group support for local schools and various agencies requesting assistance after a traumatic death. E.g., (1) Geel Community. Founded in 1976, Geel Community Services offers rehabilitative services to individuals with psychiatric disabilities. The organization offers parenting training and health care services. It also provides skill development and substance abuse counseling. Geel Community Services offers community integration and daily living skill solutions. In addition, the organization provides crisis intervention and medication and symptom management services. It offers case management and assessment services to clients. The organization operates a clubhouse that provides employment assistance and training-related services. Its partners include federal, state and city agencies, hospitals and nonprofit organizations that refer individuals with mental disabilities. Geel Community Services maintains a location in Bronx, N.Y.) (2) Gilda's Club (1995 provides a place where cancer patients and their families could find support, resources, and a community that cares. In 2009, Gilda's Club Worldwide merged with The Wellness Community to form the <u>Cancer Support Community (CSC)</u>, which is now the largest cancer support network in the country. (3) Our Mission; (3) Live On New York (formerly NY Organ Donor Network. Mission to save lives, provide comfort, and strengthen legacies through organ, eye and tissue donation. (4) lectures also provided to local funeral homes, hospitals, clinicians in various agencies

# ii. Evidence based interventions data 2016 January - November

2015 Annual Statistics:			
Hospice home visits	634	194	
Hospice phone calls	4924	946	
Hospital phone calls	456	477	
Community phone calls	6222	1154	
Individual hospice therapy	107	105	
Individual hospital therapy	109	115	
Individual community therapy	577	299	
Groups	8079	5251	
Events/lectures	9061	5872	

## iii. Monitoring:

Measure	2016	Target
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# b. <u>Chronic Disease</u>

# Title: Palliative Care Education for New York City Area Healthcare Providers

i.	Community Partners:	
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## ii. Engaging the Broader Community:

Founded in 1985, The Palliative Care Institute (PCI) has the responsibility of transmitting, through research and education, the competencies that Calvary Hospital has developed in the care of patients with advanced disease.

The PCI has become a major teaching center in palliative care. Each year, more than 800 medical students, residents, and fellows are trained at Calvary Hospital. In addition, programs in palliative care are offered for Nursing, Family Care (Social Work), Pastoral Care, Nutritional Services, and Bereavement. A 3 day on-site program is offered nationally, and a 4 week program for visiting health professionals is also offered. In addition to this broad spectrum of offerings, ongoing publication and research ensures the broader community is engaged. Finally, The National Cancer Institute has also designated Calvary Hospital as the International Center for Training in Palliative Care.

# iii. Evidence based interventions:

Education - 2016:

- Visitors (Residents, Fellows and Interns) 218
- Students (2016 Medical Students) 630
- Foreign Visitors to date (2004-2016) 274 (for 2016 only -31)

# iv. Monitoring:

Monitor: Annual Medical Students, Residents and Fellows Trained

GOAL	OUTCOME/ OBJECTIVES	INTERVENTIONS/ STRATEGIES/ ACTIVITIES	PROCESS MEASURES	PARTNER ROLE	PARTNER RESOURCES	BY WHEN	WILL ACTION ADDRESS DISPARITY
BEREAVEMENT SERVICES	Improve access to Bereavement Services in the New York City area through the expansion of Bereavement Services provided.	Hospice home visits Hospice phone calls Hospital phone calls Community phone calls Individual hospice therapy Individual hospital therapy Individual community therapy Groups Events/lectures	Increase number of each area by 10% over the next 3 years.	Input into curricula, publicity and communication, serve as the resource for students, grant funding.	Funding, time, referrals, publicity.	Ongoing.	YES.
PALLIATIVE CARE EDUCATION FOR CLINICAL PROFESSIONALS	Provide formal education to clinical providers to advance knowledge of the field of Palliative Care and to provide insight into best practices in the field. Through ongoing education, Palliative Care will continue to expand and reach an increasing number of New Yorkers in need of this modality of care.	Education of Medical Students, Fellows, and other providers.	Maintain the number of students and other providers trained per year.	Input into curricula, publicity and communication, serve as the resource for students.	Time, feedback, and students.	Ongoing.	YES.

# **Maintaining Engagement with Local Partners**

The Bereavement program distributes "Calvary In Touch", the bimonthly newsletter to over 5,000 recipients. Ongoing feedback is obtained from program participants, community lectures, and feedback from the many organizations with which we partner.

The Palliative Care Institute obtains feedback from the areas hospitals and medical schools to perform a review of the curricula associated with its programs and to ensure that timely, relevant education is provided. This occurs on an ongoing basis, and formally at the end of each entities' program.

# **DISEMMINATION OF THE EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The 2016 Community Service Plan Executive summary is available on the hospital's web-site, <u>www.calvaryhospital.org</u>. Written copies are also available on request.