

ND PALLIATIVE CARE TASK FORCE SUBGROUP MEETING MINUTES

8/1/2017

Present: Shannon Feist, Hospice Manager Sanford Health Bismarck, Tammy Theurer, Hospice Director, CHI Health at Home, Milan Vu, ND Dept of Health, Cancer Division, Jessica Reier, Administrative Assistant, HRRV, Nancy Joyner, Independent Consultant, Pall. Care Consultant

TOPIC: Role of Chair and Co-Chair for Subgroup working on defining PC and hospice

DISCUSSION: The group made a decision to send out an email to all participants on this subgroup to see who would be interested in the positions as turnout was low on the phone call today. Jessica will send a follow up email to all participants and define the roles of each position

TOPIC: Definition of PC and hospice

DISCUSSION: The group had not come up with concrete definitions to use when considering consistent state-wide definitions to use. Nancy suggested the MN Network of Hospice and Pall. Care would be a good place to start. She is a member and is willing to reach out to contacts there as they have done similar work

TOPIC: Next Steps

DISCUSSION: What will be the next direction for the subgroup after the meeting? Decision was made to continue work on defining PC and hospice and deciding which key players we may be missing from the group. Discussion was had regarding inclusion of professionals who are PC certified, medical directors, and other physicians that can be available to answer questions-but not necessarily attend the meetings

TOPIC: Next meeting date/time

DISCUSSION: Jessica will send out calendar invites for potential dates for the next meeting, this will be after Labor Day. Members should try and attend to assist with the advancement of the initiatives