South West Hospice Palliative Care Network Update

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**HPC Collaborative Activities**

At the May Collaborative meetings the Gold Standard Framework for early identification of palliative individuals was reviewed including the Supportive and Palliative Care Indicators Tool (SPICT Tool). The tools will be used at the Collaborative tables to perform pilots in early identification with the long term goal of standardizing early identification across the South West at key transition points.

**HPC Regional Activities**

**South Western Academic Health Network (SWAHN) –Palliative Care Working Group**

The group met in Chatham on May 26th and reviewed the Terms of Reference for the working group. The scope of the subcommittee was identified as working towards a standardization of HPC education for the professionals graduating from LHIN 1 and 2. The working group also identified that there will be a point when this work will be linked with the Provincial Clinical Standards and the recommendations from the Declaration of Partnership will be used throughout the group’s work. The SWAHN website will be used as a communication tool to share information about the project.. A briefing document will be created and posted as we get further into the project. The draft critical path was reviewed by the subcommittee and approved with minor timeline changes.

**Health Links**

The Coordinated Care Planning Implementation subgroup has been established and the focus

of their work will be to review the coordinated care planning process (Patient identification, CCP, care plan implementation and follow-up), information technology, privacy, and evaluation support. The SWLHIN Hospice Palliative Care Network Lead will participate in the overall Health Link design, implementation and evaluation (including client/ caregiver engagement, experienced based design) to ensure use evidence-based practices to educate others about the partnership between Health Links and Palliative Care .The subgroup will establish formal information/data sharing (i.e. Clinical Connect).

**Data and Performance Working Group**

The Long Term Care group met to begin development of the indicators for the dashboard. The proposed indicators will be presented to the working group in June.