



**Primary Care** 

**Hospice Care** 

**Domiciliary Care** 

Dementia

**IT Solutions** 

Virtual Learning Zone

The National Gold Standards Framework (GSF) Training Centre is the leading provider of training in end of life care for generalist frontline staff, enabling teams to work together with specialists to provide a gold standard of care for all people nearing the end of life.

GSF is a systematic, evidence based approach to improving care for people in the last years, months and weeks of life with any condition and in any setting.

### **GSF** helps people...

#### Care Better

Improving quality of end of life care sits at the centre of GSF

### Value Staff

GSF helps create a sustainable change in approach, which improves culture and empowers staff

### Recognise Standards

Whether this is improved quality of life, better staff retention or reduction numbers of hospital admissions

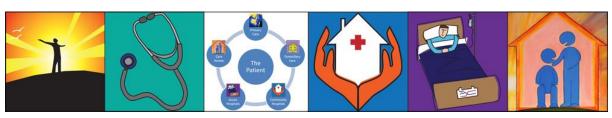
### The GSF Centre provides training, tools, measures and support to ensure best implementation and sustained quality standards.

GSF programmes in End of Life Care give outstanding training to professionals providing end of life care to ensure better lives for people and recognised standards of care. Along with the ten comprehensive GSF training programmes, six include Accreditation with the Quality Hallmark Award in End of Life Care, recognised as kite-marks of excellence in different settings, including:

- Care homes
- Primary care
- Acute & Community hospitals
- Domiciliary care
- **Hospice Support**

- Dementia Care
- Spiritual Care
- IT solutions
- Clinical Skills
- **Cross Boundary Care**

GSF 5 Rights- right person, the right care, right place, right time- every time.



Spiritual Care

Clinical Skills

Cross Boundary Community Hospitals Acute Hospitals

Care Homes



# How GSF can help support your work in End of Life Care as Specialist Palliative Care providers and Hospices.

### **GSF** helps palliative care specialists by:

- Enabling generalist frontline staff to maximise what they can do themselves, ensuring fewer crisis calls, more appropriate referrals and earlier involvement of specialists if needed.
- Encouraging more proactive care, with earlier identification of patients in the last year/months/ weeks of life, leading to better coordinated care in the final days.
- Encouraging more advance care planning discussions, thereby empowering patients and carers.
- Encouraging better use of clinical assessment tools and symptom control guidance.
- Enabling better formalised involvement with GP practice teams, and inclusion in MDT meetings.
- Enabling clearer involvement with care homes staff and appropriate referrals.
- Through simple need-based coding, triggering key tasks at each stage and GSF plans and involvement of all providers to improve integrated cross boundary care.

## The GSF Hospice Support Programme offers:

- Improved consistency and continuity of care, especially for those with non-cancer.
- Support for your day care and hospice at home services where patients may already be identified through other GSF programmes.
- Improved uptake of advance care planning discussions and documentation.
- Improved cross boundary care and communication with other providers.
- Greater involvement of the wider multidisciplinary team for patients from different areas.

# **12** GSF Regional Centres – offering training in local areas:



- St Christopher's Hospice, London
- Saint Francis Hospice, Romford
- St Richards Hospice, Worcester
- Locala CIC , Kirklees
- North London Hospice
- Princess Alice Hospice, Surrey

- Arthur Rank Hospice, Cambridge
- St Wilfrid's & St Michael's Hospice East Sussex
- Pilgrim's Hospice, Kent
- Cotswold Care Hospice, Gloucester
- Weldmar Hospice Dorset
- St Mary's Hospice ,Birmingham

## The GSF Acute Hospitals Programme offers:

- Earlier recognition (identifying average 30%) helping generalist ward staff provide more proactive care for patients in the final year of life.
- A structured means of better listening to patients + advance care planning discussions.
- Enabling better cross-boundary, patient-centred care and communication with GPs
- Reduced hospital bed days, fewer deaths and more dying at home.
- A comprehensive programme with all resources, tools, interactive workshops, coaching
- Usually supported or led by palliative care teams, but delivered by ward staff.
- Independent benchmarked evaluations plus intrinsic measures of progress



CQC's Prof Sir Mike Richards presenting GSF Quality Hallmark Awards to Lancaster

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