



GSF CARE HOMES

Gold Standards Framework in Care Homes

Training Programme available as distance learning via GSF Virtual Learning Zone



GSF in Care Homes

The nationally recognised GSF Care Homes Training Programme has been used by almost 3,000 care homes over the last 10 years with many hundreds accredited and reaccredited. GSF is recommended by all care homes organisations, NICE, DH EOLC Strategy and by CQC as an example of best practice.

GSF can be transformational in helping to change the culture of the home.

GSF includes care for all people nearing the end of their life, affecting the care from the moment a resident enters your home, not just care in the final days.

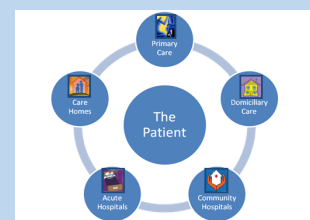
What is fantastic about the Gold Standards Framework, is that it is focusing care homes staff minds on how can they make that (end of life care) experience the best it possibly can be.

Andrea Sutcliffe, Chief Inspector Adult Social Care,
CQC, March 14

"GSF has enabled us to have a 2 way respect between us and the GP's and Community Nurses" Rayleigh House, residential care Home Conference March 2015

How does GSF help you with your CQC compliance

1. GSF provides the underpinning knowledge to help evidence providers are **Safe**
2. Gaining GSF accreditation provides external assurance about the **Effectiveness** of your service
3. If end of life care right, the whole ethos of your service is right and therefore helps to evidence **Caring**;
4. As a GSF accredited care service you will be able to demonstrate you are **Responsive** to the changing needs of those you support,
5. To achieve GSF accreditation requires considerable focus and leadership from key individuals in the organisation which helps to evidence **Well Led**



'Gold Standards Framework gives outstanding training to all those providing end of life care to ensure better lives for people and recognised standards of care.'

Announcing Flexible new ways of learning and reducing cost

To achieve our aims we now have a range of flexible approaches to training and learning to meet the demands and the pockets of all care homes, to include the newly filmed programme, available on the Virtual Learning Zone or DVD. With a new flexible range of charges, and reductions available, now any care home that wishes to do so could undertake one of the GSF Care Homes training programmes.

GSF Care Homes Learning options include :-

- 1. The Premium Gold Programme** - The original full training programme with 6 interactive workshops, plus added support of the filmed programme for easier cascade of training within the home.
- 2. Fast Track to Accreditation**— Homes already practising some of the GSF standards, and have completed other training, such as 6 steps, they will need to demonstrate that they meet certain criteria and will then be able to engage with the shorter process to reach Gold.
- 3. Foundation Level – Silver** - GSF principles for care homes who are not ready for the full programme but wish to make a start. This step-by-step approach, involving two workshops and homework, also supports homes that later wish to progress to full training and Accreditation.
- 4. Blended Learning – Gold** - With the filmed GSF Care Homes training programme we are offering a 'blended learning' approach to include interactive workshops and in-house sessions, offering a flexible and cost effective training package (whole area commissioned groups only).
- 5. Refresher Training**— Bespoke training for areas where a number of homes have previously done the training, but not yet progressed to Accreditation

Impact of GSF in Care Homes

◆ Quality of care

Better experience of care for residents/patients by Improving staff skills and confidence

◆ Coordination of care

Better communication, coordination and integrated cross boundary care.

"I saw what GSF was providing in care homes, so if it can work there in care homes it can work in other settings—and it does... it really works!"

Dr Pete Nightingale GP RCGP EOLC Lead Lancaster

"GSF has provided a common vocabulary between hospitals and the community, that's what's made the difference"

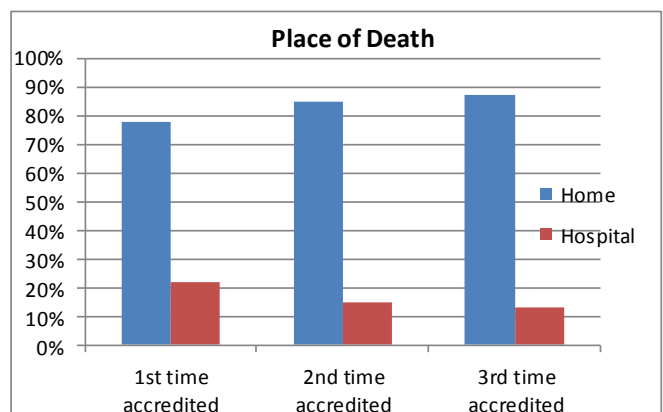
Dr Karen Groves Consultant Pall Med Southport

◆ Outcomes for people

Enabling more to live well and die well in the place and manner of their choosing

"It is so fantastic to see good theoretical policies put into practice and I want you to know that your framework really has made a difference...Dad died with dignity, pain free, able to stay in his 'home' surrounded by his things and looked after by people that cared and who knew him well. We could never have asked for more than that."

Relative of a resident who died in a GSF Accredited Care Home



Homes show sustainability of the processes with almost 90% home death rate many achieving 100%

