‘Getting Started in Research’

A FREE two day workshop for any member of staff working for Children’s Hospices UK, ACT, Help the Hospices, & the National Council for Palliative Care.

Why is research important?

How do I go about getting started in research?

Do we need research evidence to do good job?

How do I know what is ‘good’ research?

How can I or my organisation get more involved in research?

When? **Day 1:** 23 September 2011; **Day 2:** 1 December 2011

(Please note, this is a 2 day workshop, attendance at both days is mandatory)

Where? University of York

This workshop will be delivered and facilitated by researchers based in the Social Policy Research Unit, University of York. This Unit has many years of experience of doing research on practice and policy issues related to children, adults and older people with life-limiting conditions and their families.

Application form and further details available at: http://www.york.ac.uk/inst/spru/QStepp.html
‘Getting Started in Research’:
Day 1: 23rd September 2011

09.30: REGISTRATION

10.00: Introducing the workshop facilitators and the aims and objectives of the workshop

10.15: Participant introductions exercise
(Pair work followed by sharing with the whole group)

10.45: COFFEE AND NETWORKING

11.15: Why do research?
(Presentation)

11.45: What’s the difference between research, audit and consultation?
(Small group discussion; whole group feedback; concluding with brief presentation)

12:30: LUNCH AND NETWORKING

13.15: Understanding the relationship between research questions and research design
(Presentation; small group task: developing research questions from issues)

14.30: Methods and type of data they generate
(Presentation, small group exercise)

15:00 TEA

15.15: Research showcase I: brief presentations of two contrasting research projects concerned with people with life-limiting conditions.
(Presentation and whole group questions and discussion)

15:45 Individual exercise: developing a research idea
(A pro-forma drawing on the presentations and work done in small groups during Day 1 will facilitate this exercise. The final section records any activities the individual will undertake in advance of Day 2)

16:30 Summing up and close.

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‘Getting Started in Research’
Day 2: 1st December 2011

09.30: REGISTRATION

10:00 Introduction to the day

10:15 Ethical issues: I
   • What is good ethical practice in research?
   • What are the requirements of external bodies?
   *(Presentation by the research team)*

11:00 COFFEE AND NETWORKING

11:30 Ethical issues: II
   *(Small group work)*

12:00 User involvement, dissemination and other things to think about when planning research
   *(Presentation)*

1:00 LUNCH AND NETWORKING

13:45 Individual exercise: further work on research idea
   *(Completion of new sections in the pro-forma using learning from Day 2 presentations including: ethical issues, dissemination, user involvement)*

14:30 Research showcase II: brief presentations of two contrasting research projects concerned with people with life-limiting conditions.
   *(Presentation and whole group questions and discussion)*

15:10 TEA AND NETWORKING

15:30 Research funding:
   • Is it possible to carry out research without funding?
   • Where can I go for funding?
   *(Presentation, questions and whole group discussion)*

16.15 Review of workshop and close
   Completion of evaluation forms

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