

# Palliative care decision making groups

## Palliative care consortium clinical / practitioners group

### Function in implementing *Strengthening palliative care: Policy and strategic directions 2011–2015 (policy)*

Promote the policy principles to clinicians in each region

#### Role

- Ensure decisions made by the consortium are based on evidence-based clinical practice
- Develop (or source) and help implement resources that promote evidence-based clinical practice

#### Responsibilities

- Provide advice to the consortium regarding clinical issues in the region
- Provide a forum for clinicians to discuss/resolve clinical issues
- Provide a forum for identifying clinical issues to be escalated to the Palliative Care Clinical Network (PCCN)

#### Structure

- The consortium will determine the preferred size and membership of the clinical/practitioners group, the chair of the group and the frequency and location of meetings
- The chair of the clinical group is a member of the consortium and reports to the consortium
- The PCCN representative is a member of the clinical group and/or reports to the clinical group

#### Communication / relationship with other groups

- A PCCN report is a standard agenda item
- Members must consult with other staff in their own agency regarding relevant issues
- Other details to be determined by each individual consortium as appropriate