

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Preamble:

The following Goals and Objectives are to provide direction for members of the Pastoral Care Allied Health Group (PCAHG) in the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador.

- 1. To develop and implement standards and measures of quality pastoral care**
 - to endorse a code of ethics for PCAHG
 - to advocate for positions of regional directors, coordinators and clinicians for pastoral/spiritual care
 - to work with the regional directors, coordinators and clinicians in the ongoing development of standards and policies
 - to lobby government for funding for SPE Supervisors so as to continue to offer supervised pastoral education in different regions of our province
 - to promote a comprehensive plan of pastoral/spiritual care to persons of varying beliefs and traditions in all areas of health care in our province
 - to provide workshops and educational opportunities for PCAHG members and pastoral/spiritual volunteers in all areas of our province

- 2. To strive to make pastoral/spiritual care more visible in all areas of health care**
 - to encourage Regional Health Authorities to have a member of pastoral/spiritual care on their Board
 - to encourage pastoral care workers to participate in interdisciplinary teams in institutions/community, for the purpose of the delivery of holistic care
 - to encourage broad participation in teleconferences, newsletter production and an annual conference
 - to provide an effective liaison between the Provincial Government and faith groups, so as to become advocates for the spiritual and religious needs of those we serve
 - to continue to hold our annual meeting and educational sessions in different regions of our province

- 3. To encourage cooperation and collaboration between health care based settings and local faith groups**
 - to establish an appropriate system of networking through local groupings of chaplains, pastoral care workers, community clergy and volunteers
 - to promote province-wide networking, coordination, mutual exchange and support
 - to coordinate communication of local/professional educational events

4. **To respond creatively to new and ongoing challenges in pastoral/spiritual care**
 - to ensure pastoral care representation on relevant planning committees in our institutions and community based settings
 - to be visible as an essential service in the ministry of healing
 - to support and encourage development of programs in pastoral/spiritual care

5. **To have a close liaison with the Canadian Association for Pastoral Practice and Education (CAPPE) and the Institute of Pastoral Training (IPT)**
 - to ensure that we have a CAPPE representative on the executive of the PCAHG
 - to be informed regarding national issues in pastoral/spiritual care
 - to be informed of clinical pastoral education that is available
 - to be informed of national standards in pastoral/spiritual care and counseling

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