

Hospice of the Valleys Partnership Working

Hi James

I think we need to showcase that we work in partnership with a number of different organisations, but of course there will be a number of interlinks with other areas of the website. So, I thought if I give you information on the basics as a start and then we can build it up under your guidance.

Hospice UK and Hospices Cymru

Hospice of the Valleys is a member of Hospice UK - the national voice of hospice care in the UK, that supports the work of independent hospices through advocacy and raising awareness of hospice care and Hospices Cymru - the voice of charitable hospices in Wales, working to achieve high quality care for everybody in Wales who is living with a life limiting illness and careg the end of life.

www.hospiceuk.org (could we use the Hospice UK logo here?)

Gwent Palliative Care Strategy Group

Hospice of the Valleys is a member of the Gwent Palliative Care Strategy Group working collaboratively with other palliative care providers who share a commitment to continuously improve standards of care and support health care professionals to develop their skills to enhance the patient experience. *(I've attached a copy of the strategy document)*

<http://www.wales.nhs.uk/sitesplus/documents/866/2.9%20%2d%20gwent%20palliative%20care%20strategy.pdf>

Neighbourhood Care Networks

Working with the local Neighbourhood Care Networks, the Hospice takes an active role in working with other health professionals working to plan services and developments in our local communities.

(I have attached a copy of the newsletter which also has their contact details and could link across to the GP information hub)

Head 4 Arts

A long standing partnership between community arts organisation Head for Arts and the hospice has ensured that patients attending day centre are able to enjoy activities such as music and singing with the support of professional musician *(I have attached some information on the organisation and this could link back to the website page on day Centre plus a photograph maybe)*

www.head4arts.org.uk

Academic Partnerships

Working closely with our partners the University of South Wales, Cardiff University and Cardiff Metropolitan, we deliver accredited training for health care professionals through both our academic courses such as "Introduction to Principles and Practice Palliative Care" and by offering placement opportunities for student nurses, medical students and complementary therapy students.

www.cardiff.ac.uk

www.cardiffmet.ac.uk
www.southwales.ac.uk

(could we have the links plus copies of the university logos? This section also needs to link across to the Education and Student placement pages)

Alzheimer's Society

I don't think there's anything different to go here that wouldn't be on the Challenge Project (dementia) page, so perhaps it should just link to that page?