

Compassionate Communities Forum

November 30, 2023

Program

9:00 – 9:25 am | Welcome and Introductions

9:25 – 9:50 am | Opening Keynote Speaker (Dr. Shane Sinclair)

9:50 – 10:00 am | Compassionate Alberta in Action

This session will summarize the Palliative Institute's work to raise public awareness of palliative care and advance care planning. It will introduce five tools developed in collaboration with community partners and enable participants to choose which workshop to join in the next session.

10:00 – 11:30 am | Compassionate Community Tool Workshops

These workshops will give participants the opportunity to experience or learn about the Compassionate Alberta tools developed and championed by the Palliative Institute. Participants may select one of the following sessions:

- **Death Cafe:** In this immersive workshop you will participate in group-directed conversation about death and dying. (Facilitator to be announced)
- **PalliLearn: Your Role in a Compassionate Community:** In this session you will participate in one of the four courses offered as part of this community education series. (Facilitator: Mary-Ann Shantz, Palliative Institute)
- **Understanding Palliative Care + Plan Ahead Toolkit + My Wishes Alberta:** This informational session will familiarize you with three of our public education outreach tools. (Facilitators: Trish Biondo and Vidhi Vinayak, Palliative Institute)

11:30 – 11:45 am | Break

11:45 am – 12:45 pm | Compassionate Communities Showcase

This session will showcase grassroots community initiatives that are helping Albertans plan ahead, learn about palliative care, build supportive communities or talk about death and dying.

12:45 – 1:45 pm | Lunch Break

1:45 – 2:45 pm | Community Voices Panel

In this moderated panel discussion, panelists will share personal stories about how compassionate communities make a difference in people's lives.

Panelists: Bill Zheng, Sam Chapple, Tania Jacobs

Moderator: Christina Frangou

2:45 – 3:45 pm | Planning for Community Action

This session will allow you to network with other participants and develop concrete action plans to take back to your organizations and communities.

3:45 – 3:55 pm | Break

3:55 – 4:15 pm | Closing Keynote Speaker (Dr. Naheed Dosani)

4:15 pm | Conclusion