PALLIATIVE CARE IN FAMILY MEDICINE

This short course is offered by the Division of Family Medicine and Primary Care in collaboration with the Division of Radiation Oncology, Faculty of Medicine & Health Sciences, Stellenbosch University.

This course aims to update the family practitioner on the basic principles and practice of palliative care and equip them for the critical role of coordinating the care pathway of patients diagnosed with life-limiting diseases, at primary care level, from diagnosis through to the end-of-life.

Who should attend?

- General practitioners involved in private practice
- Medical officers working in primary care settings in the public sector
- Family physicians
- Family Medicine registrars doing their elective in Palliative Care

Duration: 12 weeks  
Starting date: July 27, 2020  
End date: October 18, 2020

E-learning: The course is delivered entirely by online distance education and follows the principles of adult learning. Candidates will be required to commit 3-4 hours per week to learning and teaching activities which will include:

1. asynchronous self-study
2. asynchronous discussion forums
3. synchronous interactive case discussions conducted through an online meeting platform
4. assessment activities

Assessment: Compulsory assessment will be based on two written assignments, the level of participation in synchronous interactive online case discussions and asynchronous discussion forums. A Certificate of Competence will be issued on successful completion of the course and all assessment activities.

Continuing Professional Development (CPD) accreditation: 25 general and 5 ethics Continuing Education Units (CEUs) in Level 1 will be re-applied for in 2020.

Course fees: R6 600.00

Applications, registration and administration: Please complete and return the application form to Ms Marianna James (021 938 9395 between 08h00 and 14h00, mariannaj@sun.ac.za). Registration will close at 16:00 on Monday, 13 July 2020.

Other enquiries: Dr Riette Burger, course convenor (henrietteburger@sun.ac.za)

This course is endorsed by the IPAF