

# Hospice UK National Conference

## Example 2: Abstract unlikely to be accepted

### Title: Advance Care Planning (ACP)

**Background:** Our hospice has many nursing care homes in the neighbourhood. We were aware that all those living in these care homes had a palliative care diagnosis. Our community palliative care team was asked to support one of these with implementing Advanced Care Planning [ACP]. The home had asked for support because they were undertaking the GSFCH programme. All the residents in the nursing care home had dementia.

**Aims:** To support the nursing care home with undertaking Advance Care Planning with their residents and to show the impact.

**Methods:** The community palliative care team undertook an audit and then delivered training sessions for the nursing care home staff on ACP. Following this they supported the staff in the nursing care home to undertake and document Advance Care Plans. They recorded the impact of the plans.

**Results:** An audit was undertaken. All nursing care home staff then received training on ACP. Following this training the community palliative care team role modelled ACP discussions with the nursing care home staff. After six months most residents had an ACP put in place and the care, they received was according to their preference.

**Conclusion:** Staff recognised it is important to have a plan in place for when a resident deteriorate.

**206 words**



**Comment** This is a very interesting subject but unfortunately I am unable to assess it fully for scoring because it is not well described. Using the full word count allowance would help with this.

**Total abstract score is Section 1 + Section 2 = 07/18**

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An interesting subject but it does not contain enough detail. As the abstract is 206/300 words there was scope to include more of this detail. The results have no figures included. There is no reference to the residents having dementia and the impact of this on ACP. The addition of references would have been helpful.

## Study descriptions

- Audit: A quality improvement cycle where care delivered is measured against a pre-determined standard.
- Quality Improvement: The systematic use of tools to improve safety, effectiveness, and experience of care.
- Research: A systematic approach that uses scientific methods, and results in the creation of new knowledge.
- Unclear/Uncertain/Other: For anything else which is not covered by the categories above.

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