Palliative Care in Grey
Bruce

Primary Care Alliance Meeting
April 3, 2018
Conflict of Interest

• None to declare
Introductions

• Dr. Alex Hodgson MD, CCFP, FP (palliative care)
• Dr. Hilli Huff MD, CCFP
• Dr. Susan Batten MD, CCFP, FP (palliative care)
• Ann Becks, NP
Secondary Level Palliative Care Consultation

• Purpose of our team is to provide secondary level consultation services that support primary care in providing palliative care to their patients

• Role is also to build capacity by encouraging and supporting primary care providers through consultation, collaborative care and availability of 24 hr telephone support
PC Consultation Services

- Inpatient palliative care consultation service GBHS Owen Sound and HDH
- Outpatient Pain and Symptom Management Clinic through GBHS Oncology
- Grey Bruce Palliative Care Outreach Team (PCOT)
- Chapman House Residential Hospice
Inpatient Consultation Services

• Drs. Huff and Hodgson provide palliative pain and symptom management inpatient consults at GBHS Owen Sound
  • ER, wards, ICU
  • Available Monday-Friday for on-call telephone support for physicians at rural sites through GBHS Owen Sound switchboard
• Dr. Batten provides provide palliative pain and symptom management inpatient consults at HDH
• Through role on PCOT can be available for in-person consults at rural sites
Pain and Symptom Management Clinic GBHS Oncology Department

- Drs. Huff and Hodgson see patients in outpatient consultation
- Typically referrals are received from oncology department directly but also from primary care and other specialists
- Not restricted to patients with terminal diagnosis
Grey Bruce Palliative Care Outreach Team (PCOT)

- Interdisciplinary team for provision of secondary level palliative care consultation across Grey Bruce
  - MD, NP, psychosocial/spiritual care, nurse educator, VON hospice visiting volunteers, Complex Care Coordinators with SWLHIN Home and Community Services
- Program coordinated through the SWLHIN
- Home visits but can be accessible across all sectors (home, hospital and LTC)
- PCOT telephone line 24/7 availability for providers to speak with covering physician
Chapman House Residential Hospice

• Currently 8 bed residential hospice in Owen Sound providing end of life care for patients from all across Grey Bruce
• Family physicians able to follow own patients at hospice or access support from hospice physician group
Questions?