

#### ASIA PACIFIC HOSPICE PALLIATIVE CARE NETWORK

Linking palliative care in Asia and the Pacific

## **About APHN**

The Asia Pacific Hospice Palliative Care Network (APHN) is dedicated to promoting hospice and palliative care in Asia and the Pacific. Our purpose is to empower and support organisations and individuals committed to alleviating suffering from life-threatening illness. The Network promotes education and skills development, enhances awareness and communication, and fosters research and collaboration. We encourage established programmes to assist less experienced and more isolated colleagues.



- 18 sectors
- 250 Organisational members
- 1800 Individual members
- Founded since 2001

On March 1, 2001, APHN was officially registered in Singapore and later achieved charity status in 2003. The APHN started with 14 Founding sectors including Australia, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Myanmar, New Zealand, Philippines, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand and Vietnam. Founding Sectors will be permanent sectors of the association.

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On the 15th October 2015, a resolution was passed by the 15th APHN Council to accept Mongolia as the 15th Sector of the APHN. This was a new milestone for us as Mongolia was the first Sector to join the APHN since 2001. In 2019, Bangladesh, Nepal and Sri Lanka joined APHN as Sectors, bringing our total number of Sectors to 18. More Sectors will be invited to join the APHN in the future as hospice palliative care services are established in other Asia Pacific regions.

#### **Asia Pacific Hospice Conference 2021**



## Asia Pacific Hospice Palliative Care Conference

A major knowledge-sharing event of APHN is the biennial Asia Pacific Hospice Palliative Care Conference (APHC). Working together with the host country, APHN ensures each conference attains a high professional standard bringing the latest development and news of the field to all participants. These conferences not only give regional palliative care workers a chance to congregate, share experience, and form friendships, but they also stimulate the host country to coordinate palliative care activities.





### **APHN Webinar Series**

APHN hosts quarterly collaborative webinars across the Asia Pacific region. The webinar sessions feature distinguished speakers delivering lectures on palliative care topics. We recognise the need for eLearning options as we believe that such informative material should be easily accessible to everyone. We enabled partners over the region to join us as host sites to screen the webinars at their institutions. To date about 300 to 500 participants have benefited from this series.

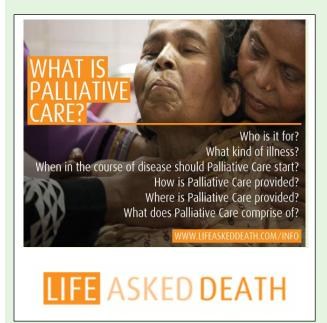






## **Palliative Care Observership**

In the observership, participants will shadow palliative care teams to learn what a hospice palliative care service is through experiential learning and immersion with patients and the palliative care team in the clinical setting. They will get the chance to attend clinical attachments at local palliative care hospitals and hospices, in-patient and home care hospice services. Furthermore, participants will get to network with local clinicians, administrators, patient families and volunteer groups during the classroom session as they share about their experiences in community.



# Lien Collaborative for Palliative Care Project

LIFE ASKED DEATH highlights the scale of pain and suffering that needs to be urgently addressed in Asia, and offers insights into the positive outcomes that can be achieved even in resource-limited countries. The documentary brings viewers to Bangladesh, Myanmar and Sri Lanka to witness how Lien Collaborative's specialist volunteers bring palliative care and training to these countries. When international experts and local stakeholders work together to develop palliative care capacity in the government-run health systems, the barriers to pain relief and humane care can be removed.

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