



On behalf of the Oklahoma Hospice & Palliative Care Association (OHPCA) Board of Directors, I would like to thank you for being an active supporter in the past. Since 1983, OHPCA has been devoted to advocating for quality hospice care in Oklahoma. With all the changes within our industry, the OHPCA provides the latest information in compliance, regulatory, networking opportunities, and education to assist you and your team as you provide exceptional end of life care to Oklahomans.

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Watch for upcoming details for the exciting line up for 2017. Last year's theme, Leadership Matters, hosted at The Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in Tulsa was a great success with the first ever **Hospice Director Boot Camp**. This year's conference will once again be hosted at **The Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in Tulsa on October 18-20, 2017**.

Your organization is actively working with the **OHPCA lobbyist related to House & Senate bills in the Oklahoma legislative session that could affect our industry in Oklahoma**. The OHPCA speaks with one voice to represent our diverse community of hospice providers. The board is collaborating on two new legislative bills that relate to end of life care on your behalf. The OHPCA website had a makeover last year and is now utilized to provide in-depth information to all hospice professionals across our state as well as to be a resource for patients and families. The website is accessible at www.okhospice.org.

Education events are already approaching with the Palmetto GBA 2017 Hospice Medicare Workshop Series "Getting it RIGHT the FIRST time" on March 7th in Oklahoma City. Registration information is accessible at www.okhospice.org. **Join or renew your OHPCA membership NOW to take advantage of the member discount for the first education event of 2017.**

All OHPCA members are offered significantly reduced rates for OHPCA sponsored events. Join our efforts today, by mailing the attached renewal invoice along with your payment to **Oklahoma Hospice & Palliative Care Association, P.O. Box 1466, Ardmore, OK 73402**. Please note, each **separate licensed hospice office** must join the Association if you want each location listed in the OHPCA directory and website as additional hospices and wish them to receive reduced registration fees at educational events. Additional administrative offices (AAO) sharing the same hospice license number will share the same membership benefits and their addresses will be listed under the licensed hospice address.

I urge you to complete the attached membership application and join OHPCA in ensuring excellence in end of life care. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 405.848.8884 or email at terry.gonsoulin@integrisok.com

Sincerely,

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