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Focus on Compassion

COMPASSION HAS NO BORDERS



Global Partners in Care team and Foundation board chair present the 2015 Global Partnership Award to staff from Samaritan Healthcare and Hospice.

Conference Attendees Enjoy Breakfast with Global Partners in Care

NHPCO's Management and Leadership Conference (MLC) attendees were invited to a special breakfast hosted by Global Partners in Care before the opening plenary session on April 30. Attendees were welcomed by leadership from NHPCO, the Foundation Board and Global Partners in Care, and learned about the many successes of the organization since their rebranding and expansion one year ago.

The special highlight of the breakfast was the announcement of the winner of the Global Partnership Award – Samaritan Healthcare and Hospice in N.J. and Kawempe Home Care of Uganda. Dr. Samuel Guma, the executive director of Kawempe Home Care, and his staff joined the breakfast via Skype which was a delight for everyone.

Please mark your calendars for next year's Global Partners in Care breakfast at NHPCO's 2016 MLC on April 21, 2016 at 7-8 am. All attendees are invited at no cost.

Dr. Samuel Guma and staff from Kawempe Home Care in Uganda skype with breakfast attendees.



US and Ugandan Hospices Celebrated for Outstanding Partnership

Global Partners in Care presents the 2015 Global Partnership Award to Samaritan Healthcare and Hospice of New Jersey and Kawempe Home Care of Uganda.

Samaritan Healthcare and Hospice is over 7,000 miles away from Kawempe Home Care of Uganda yet the two organizations are partners in caring. Global Partners in Care presented the 2015 Global Partnership Award to the two organizations at NHPCO's annual Management and Leadership Conference, an event that brought over 1,200 hospice and palliative care leaders to the Washington, DC area.

The Global Partnership Award recognizes the exemplary work of one partnership that has demonstrated leadership, innovation and has significantly contributed to the sustainable development of hospice and palliative care through their Global Partners in Care partnership. The award winner is selected based on creativity in fundraising, partner collaboration, staff contribution and commitment, and community outreach and involvement.

"Samaritan feels both elated and humbled to be chosen for the 2015 Global Partnership Award from the 80 U.S. hospices which have chosen to share resources, expertise, and friendship with a sister hospice across the globe," says Samaritan President and CEO, Mary Ann Boccolini. "On behalf of all those hospices, we welcome the opportunity to participate more fully in our global village."



In 2013 Samaritan Healthcare & Hospice staff visited Kawempe Home Care. From left: Peggy Morgan, volunteer; Amy Goonewardene, massage therapist; Gerever Niwagaba, KHC Program Manager; Susan Cedrone, social worker; Joanne Anthony, nurse; Sherri Brake, social worker; Susan Rogoff, nurse; Sally Cezo, Director of Volunteer Services; Dr. Marianne Holler, hospice/palliative physician; Dr. Samuel Guma, KHC Executive Director.



Samaritan Healthcare & Hospice Licensed Social Workers Sherri Brake and Susan Cedrone show an excited group of children their photo on a digital camera.

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Samaritan and Kawempe engaged in a multitude of partnership activities throughout the year. Through fundraising efforts and special events, Samaritan was able to purchase a used 2000 four-wheel-drive Toyota Land Cruiser to help Kawempe staff better access their patients and families who lived in difficult terrain. They also provided Kawempe with laptop computers, palliative care text books, stethoscopes, blood pressure cuffs, a camera, and children's clothing.

In 2014, two staff members from Kawempe visited Samaritan. During their visit they participated in many educational, social, and cultural activities including shadowing clinical staff, attending team meetings, touring a hospital and inpatient unit, attending a reception for staff and volunteers, a day trip to NYC, and the Philadelphia Zoo.

The partners maintain excellent communication despite the miles between them. Monthly Skype calls are made to discuss needs, goals, and ongoing projects. Distance learning seminars are available so that the partners can educate current and new staff members.

"Samaritan has been truly blessed to partner with Kawempe Home Care since 2010. Our partnership with KHC allows us to fulfill an integral part of our Philosophy of

Care: To recognize the unity of life and our connectedness with each other, those we care for, our community, and our world," says Samaritan Healthcare & Hospice VP, Marketing and Public Affairs, Joanne Rosen. "This partnership has provided new avenues for our staff and volunteers to engage with each other and with our community – providing a rich new dimension to the passion they already feel for the benefits of hospice and palliative care."

The recipient of the award receives a \$500 donation for their international hospice partner.

"The future of the partnership is really very bright, we have set up programs for medical

education, resources mobilization and education support for orphans and vulnerable children," says Executive Director of Kawempe Home Care, Dr. Samuel Guma.

"These programs will strengthen our palliative care program and the overall development of the organization."

Global Partners in Care congratulates Samaritan Healthcare and Hospice and Kawempe Home Care for creating, building, and sustaining a successful partnership.

"Their commitment to their partnership is a testament to the idea that compassion has no borders," says John Mastrojohn, executive director of Global Partners in Care.



Staff and community members of Kawempe Home Care (KHC) in Kampala, Uganda gather to bless a new "used" vehicle they were able to purchase using funds raised by staff, volunteers, and community members of Samaritan Healthcare & Hospice, Marlton, NJ. The vehicle helps KHC to transport clinical and counseling staff across rough terrain for more timely home visits, and to transport patients to the clinic or hospital for more timely, appropriate palliative and hospice care.

Partners Focusing on Compassion

In addition to the winner being announced, several Global Partners in Care partnerships received "Honorable Mention" for the 2015 Global Partnership Award. We would like to acknowledge those partnerships and highlight some of their 2014 accomplishments.

Lifetime Care & Zululand Hospice

- Bought South African fabric and made pillows, placemats, purses, phone bags, wine bags and sold to raise funds for Zululand Hospice. Lifetime Care raised over \$14K for their partner.
- A team of 13 traveled to South Africa in May 2014. The team visited patients, worked at an orphanage and transformed a chicken house into a kitchen.



Lifetime Care & Zululand Hospice staff

Hospice and Community Care & Kenya Hospice & Palliative Care Association

- Hospice and Community Care executed several different fundraising initiatives to raise over \$10K for the Kenya Hospice & Palliative Care Association including a spring bling and holiday sale.
- Receive monthly updates from each other.
- Hospice and Community Care utilized their volunteer network to help raise funds.

VITAS Healthcare-Inland Empire & Nyadire Mission Hospital

- Sent educational materials to 60 caregivers involved with the palliative care program.
- "Keep Zimbabwe Rolling" raised funds for partner's bicycle repairs.
- Vitas Healthcare-Inland Empire raised over \$9K for their partner.



The "Keep Zimbabwe Rolling" fundraising initiative created an abundance of teamwork and fun for staff at Vitas Healthcare-Inland Empire.

VITAS Delaware & Little Hospice Hoima

- VITAS Delaware raised over \$10K for their partner program through a variety of fundraising initiatives including selling cookbooks, yard sales, loose change competition, Farmer's Market, and sales from their thrift shop.

Hospice of the Western Reserve & Helderberg Hospice

- Hospice of the Western Reserve raised over \$10K for their partner program. They held several different fundraisers like dress down Fridays, ice cream social, and a BBQ luncheon. They created a cookbook to sell that included recipes from staff at Helderberg Hospice.

Caris Healthcare & Hospice of Ethiopia

- In 2014 Caris Healthcare sent \$18K to their partner, Hospice of Ethiopia. Funds were raised through the Caris Healthcare Foundation, donors from the community and the organization's gala.
- Hospice of Ethiopia shares reports and presentations with Caris Healthcare.



Hospice of Ethiopia patient

Haven Hospice & Grahamstown Hospice

- Haven Hospice raised over \$22K for their partner Grahamstown Hospice through campaigns and special events.
- Grahamstown sends monthly newsletter to Haven updating them on organizational issues.
- Haven selected "Haven Ambassadors" for exchange trip to Grahamstown. The ambassadors have taken the lead in further cultivating the partnership with Grahamstown through continuing education, outreach to local communities about the partnership, creating new fundraisers, and more.



Haven Hospice staff visit Grahamstown Hospice

What our international partners are saying...

HOSPICE OF MALAWI

"The palliative care team of St Luke's Hospital is very thankful.

On the same note we thank Global Partners in Care including Tracy Schinharl of Hospice of Northwest Ohio, for all the support. We appreciate the assistance in reaching out to our communities through your intervention. Our entire community thanks you for your loving and patient care. The wonderful care they receive through this funding is invaluable.

Please be assured that our relationship which comes a long way and continues to grow will assist St Luke's Hospital in providing quality palliative care as a right for everybody and an unavoidable humanitarian duty.

We have come a long way and we are going a long way. Since 2005 our aim is to provide a holistic approach to all with life threatening illnesses. In the wake of HIV/AIDS Pandemic we have very high incidence of HIV/AIDS related Cancers and Pain is a common problem amongst people with Kaposi's Sarcoma, HIV/AIDS and Tuberculosis.

Thank you for not only what you do but how you do it!"

Mildred Undulu, Hospice of Malawi

MSUNDUZI HOSPICE

"On behalf of all at Msunduzi Hospice, I would like to thank you for your continued support over the past 14 years. In particular, I would like to thank Alex and his team at Vitas San Diego for their ongoing love and support of our Hospice. Raising funds remains an uphill battle and we need all the help we can get and we want you to know that all your efforts to assist us is very much appreciated.

Thank you once again for sharing in our care."

Judy Coghlan, Msunduzi Hospice

80% of the need for palliative care is in low and middle income countries.

Your gift to Global Partners in Care supports compassionate care where the need is great and the resources are few.

Please DONATE NOW.

Support Scholarships for Nurses and Social Workers in Africa

The Opportunity:

As part of our mission to expand the availability of hospice and palliative care in Africa and globally, Global Partners in Care has a special scholarship fund to support the African Palliative Care Association (APCA) in providing education scholarships to further the knowledge and skill of African nurses and social workers in the provision of palliative care.

The Need:

In many African nursing and social work courses, there is no training which exposes the students to palliative care. Formal training in palliative care is greatly needed to provide nurses and social workers with the much needed palliative care skills to handle patients with life threatening illnesses such as HIV/AIDS and cancer.

"I cannot underestimate how much I have gained from this course in terms of skills and professional development. I'll use this knowledge to foster training, advocacy and mentorship in Cameroon. The knowledge gathered about policy and social development equally places me in a better position to lobby and campaign for development of a national policy towards palliative care."

-Scholarship Recipient from Cameroon, Africa

The Impact:

To date, the scholarship program has benefited 11 nurses and 6 social workers who have undertaken formal palliative care training. The scholarship fund has also supported 10 nurses to attend the Palliative Care Association of Uganda's bi-annual conference. Scholarship recipients have come from various countries including Kenya, Nigeria, South Africa, Malawi and Cameroon.

How You Can Help:

Any amount of financial support will make a positive difference for a nurse or social worker in Africa to receiving additional training in palliative care - and the patients and families they serve. Please make a donation and encourage your organization and professional colleagues to provide additional contributions.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT
www.globalpartnersincare.org/scholarships
 or contact info@globalpartnersincare.org.

**MAKE A DONATION FOR
A SCHOLARSHIP**

Global Professional Education Opportunities

Clinical Advances in the Art and Science of Care - a Virtual Conference

July 21 – 23, 2015

Virtual Conference sponsored by The American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine, Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association and National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization

5th International Society of Advance Care Planning and End of Life Care Conference

September 9 – 12, 2015
Munich, Germany

Hospice Palliative Care Association of South Africa 2015 Conference

September 27 – 30, 2015
Southern Sun Elangeni Maharani, Durban

View additional U.S. and international professional education online courses, conferences, and publications at the **EDUCATION** section of our website.

9.6 million
adults and children across Africa
are in need of palliative care.



- South Africa has only 1 specialist nurse per 39,400 cancer patients...
- Tanzania, 2 doctors and 37 nurses per 100,000 people...

**YOU CAN MAKE
A DIFFERENCE.**

Help send an African nurse or social worker to palliative care training so they can make a difference where the need is great and resources few.

Pay it Forward. Become a Global Partner Today.

Our Partner Program provides the opportunity for hospice and palliative care organizations in the U.S. to support a hospice and palliative care organization in another country. To help our partners engage in a wide variety of activities to expand and improve services, Global Partners in Care:

- **Provides personalized consultation** and ongoing technical assistance
- **Wires financial donations** from U.S. partners to their respective international partner
- **Collaborates and coordinates** with international and national hospice and palliative care associations
- **Networks partners together** so they can learn from each other

Learn how your organization can become a global partner at www.globalpartnersincare.org/become-partner.

From Our Global Partner Application Files

Hospice Tororo

Who? Hospice Tororo

What? Provide medical care, counselling, psycho-social support and spiritual care for patients with life-limiting diseases

Where? Tororo, Uganda



Highway Hospice

Who? Highway Hospice

What? Provide palliative care and bereavement support for people and families with advanced incurable diseases and HIV/AIDS

Where? Durban, South Africa



TO PARTNER with Hospice Tororo or Highway Hospice please contact Global Partners in Care.

Learn more about our partnerships and how your organization can become a global partner by visiting the **PARTNERSHIPS** section on our website.



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