

Hospice Northwest Partnership

We are pleased to announce that the Hospice Northwest Program and the NorWest Community Health Centres have formalized their partnership via a written agreement. This agreement details the ownership and governance of the program by Hospice Northwest and the commitment to deliver the program in Longlac with staff support from the NorWest Community Health Centres.

Hospice Northwest - Quality of Life, Dignity and Support

The Hospice Northwest volunteers are a group of individuals specially trained to provide support in the home, hospital and long term care facilities, at no cost.

You may need them if you are elderly, lonely, ill, or if you are the caregiver of someone who is living with a life-threatening illness.

Referrals for this service can be made by the individual, a family member or any caregiver by calling Hospice Northwest Volunteer Coordinators, Claire Grenier-Lehoux or Danielle Bérard, at the NorWest Community Health Centres at (807) 876-2271.

Danielle explains how the service is delivered in Longlac: “Most of our volunteer visiting hours are done in private homes and in our local Seniors’ Residence. Our goal is to give support to those in need. We also, individually and as a group, make regular visits to the Geraldton Hospital and Long Term Care Unit which is a half hour drive from Longlac.”

“We have a monthly meeting on the last Thursday of each month, which consists of learning opportunities, in-services, monthly planning of activities and recording of hours of service,” says Claire. “We are proud to say that we have been involved with Hospice Northwest since September 2002 and are quite pleased with the involvement and accomplishment of our volunteer group. Being in a small community with limited services can often be challenging, but thanks to the great effort and strength of our volunteers, we have been able to provide quality care to members of our community.”