



**Leeds Palliative
Care Network**

Dear Doctor

Project ECHO® (Extension of Community Healthcare Outcomes) is an international initiative that aims to share specialist knowledge and build communities of practice. The team at St. Gemma's Hospice would like to invite you to participate in this exciting new educational initiative.

There will be a monthly, one-hour tele-education session in palliative care comprising of a 20 minute presentation by a topic expert, followed by one or two case presentations from GPs. The benefits of this form of education are multiple and include:

- Education in the comfort and convenience of your practice
- Other GPs and members of the practice team being able to join the sessions if they wish, either regularly or if a topic of interest
- Presentations on topics of interest to you (these will be agreed by the group at the start of the programme)
- Sharing challenging patients and getting colleague and expert opinion
- Experts learning from you as well as you learning from them
- An opportunity to apply learning to practice and discuss this
- Minimal IT resources needed. Sessions conducted by 'Zoom' which can be accessed through a variety of devices and we can offer help with setting this up in the practice.

We hope that the programme will start in March 2020 and run for 6months. We are holding an evening meeting for interested GPs to attend and hear more and agree the programme, on **Wednesday 5th February 7-8pm** (buffet and drinks from 6.30pm) at St Gemma's Academic Unit.

To register attendance please email janec@st-gemma.co.uk

If you would like to discuss further, please contact :

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Useful information can be viewed through the following link on the Hospice UK website:

<https://www.hospiceuk.org/what-we-offer/clinical-and-care-support/project-echo/about-project-echo>

Kind Regards

Jason Ward and Jane Chatterjee