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Texas & New Mexico Hospice Organization

# CONFERENCE AT A GLANCE

## ***Pre-Conference – Wednesday, February 21, 2024***

Time/ CEUs	Session	Room	Overview
8:45 - 4:45PM	Pre-Con		Supportive Palliative and Palliative Care

## ***Conference Day 1, Thursday, February 22, 2024***

Time/ CEUs	Session	Room	Overview
7:30 - 8:30 AM	Early Riser		Taking Care of Mentally Ill Patients on Hospice – Kelley Newcomer, MD (CME, CNE, CE)
9:00 - 10:30 AM	General		<b>Keynote:</b> What's In a Word Marcia Levetown, MD followed by the Awards Ceramony (CME, CNE, CE)

11:00 – 12:00 PM	Breakouts		Overview
CME, CNE, CE	A-1		Pediatric Hospice: Pitfalls and Pearls from Our First 3 years
CME, CNE, CE	A-2		Creating Efficient, Effective, and Engaging IDTs
	A-3		The Role of the Professional Chaplain: Leadership and Boundaries
CME, CNE, CE	A-4		Palmetto GBA – Billing and Medical Review Workshop

### **12:00 - 1:15 PM Lunch**

1:15 – 2:15 PM	Breakouts	Room	Overview
(CME, CNE, CE)	B-1		Bioethics for Interdisciplinary Team Members: Case-Based and Principal Base
(CME, CNE, CE)	B-2		The NEW Hospice Survey Lens: IDG, Home Visits & Interviews
(CME, CNE, CE)	B-3		Hospice Caregivers and Grief: Self Care by Practicing What We Teach
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2:30 - 3:30 PM	Breakouts		
(CNE)	C-1		To Boldly Go Where No One Has Gone Before - Documentation Tips for Hospice Nurses
(CME, CNE, CE)	C-2		Can We Talk? - Communication in End-of-Life Care
(CME, CNE, CE)	C-3		LGBTQ+ Inclusive Care
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(CME, CNE, CE)	D-3		The Ethics of Culturally Inclusive End of Life Decisions/Advance Directives
(CME, CNE, CE)	D-4		Palmetto GBA – Billing and Medical Review Workshop

**5:30 - 7:00 PM**      **Welcome Reception: Tejas Room – Join us for drinks and appetizers. All are welcome.**

**Conference Day 2, Friday, February 23, 2024**

**7:30 - 8:30 AM**      **Early Riser**      Resilience & EI Skills-Building Workshop (CME, CNE, CE)

**9:00– 10:00 AM**      **General**      **Keynote: Prison Hospice – The Time is Now! Edgar Barends** (CME, CNE, CE)

**10:00 – 10:30 AM**      **Break**

**10:30 - 11:30 PM**      **Breakouts**      **Overview**

*E-1*      Deprescribing: A Quality Intervention & Its Impacts

(CME, CNE, CE)      *E-2*      Follow the Yellow Brick Road: Hospice Documentation Success (for all disciplines)

(CNE, CE)      *E-3*      Ethical Issues with APS and Social Work

*E-4*      HHSC – Regulation Guidelines in tune with HR

**11:30 - 12:45 PM**      **Lunch**

**12:45 – 1:45 PM**      **Breakouts**      **Room**      **Overview**

(CME, CNE, CE)      *F-1*      Palliative Care for People with Intellectual Disabilities and Cancer

(CNE)      *F-2*      Hospice Nurses Speak: Results of the Hospice Nurse Survey

(CME, CNE, CE)      *F-3*      Dealing with Issues of Suicide

*F-4*      HCSSA Updates and Top 10 Highlights

**2:00 - 3:00 PM**      **Breakouts**      **Room**      **Overview**

(CME, CNE, CE)      *G-1*      Must We Tell Children that They Are Dying? A Case Study

(CME, CNE, CE)      *G-2*      Understanding Value Based Care Organizations and Collaboration with Hospice

(CME, CNE, CE)      *G-3*      Guiding Through Grief: Unveiling the Power of Hospice Bereavement Services

(CME, CNE, CE)      *G-4*      HHSC: Medicaid Hospice Utilization Review

**3:00 - 3:45 PM**      **Dessert Reception & Poster Presentations**

**4:00 - 5:00 PM**      **Breakouts**

(CME, CNE)      *H-1*      Buprenorphine Basics for Beginners by a Beginner

(CE)      *H-2*      Hospice Clinician Boundaries: Achieving Balance and Avoiding Burnout

(CME, CNE, CE)      *H-3*      Bedside Rituals for End of Life

*H-4*      Change Agent 007

**Continuing Education Key:**

**CME = Continuing Medical Education (physicians) | CNE = Continuing Nurse Education |**

**CE = TX Hospice Administrators, Social Workers, Licensed Professional Counselors**

# WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

## **Supportive Palliative and Palliative Care Pre-Conference – February 21, 2024**

**9:00 - 9:15 AM – Welcome and Introductions**

**9:15 - 10:30 AM - Understanding Supportive Palliative Care and the Founding Principles – Panel of Expert from the Texas Palliative Care Interdisciplinary Advisory Group | Josh Reed, DO; Jerry Fenter; Jimmie Blanton; Dr. Erin Perez, DNP, APRN, ANP-C, AGNP-C, ACHPN**

**10:30 - 10:45 BREAK**

**10:45 – 12:00 PM - The How-To's of Starting a Palliative Care Program (Panel) | Olivia Rogers (TX), Rosalind Nelson-Gamblin, Demetress Harrell (TX)**

**12:00 - 1:00 PM - Lunch Break (Lunch Provided)**

**1:00 - 2:00 PM - Palliative Care Billing and Reimbursement | Peggy Porter-McGee | Blue Hill Consulting**

This presentation will provide an overview of the billing and reimbursement expectations for Palliative Care. Find out about some tips, tricks and traps for new Palliative Care organizations.

**2:00 – 2:15 – BREAK**

**2:15 – 3:15 PM - Inclusion of Supportive Palliative Care: Minimum Requirements and Quality Solutions | Rosalind Nelson-Gamblin, Consultant**

A hearty discussion of Supportive Palliative Care in home and community settings. This session will discuss the definition of supportive palliative care; and will provide guidance for home and community support services agencies that are considering development of a compliant supportive palliative care service delivery model in the home and homelike environment. The speaker will provide an overview of the necessary policies and procedures as well as a discussion to compare the philosophies for supportive palliative care and hospice.

**3:15 – 3:30 PM – BREAK**

**3:30 – 4:45 PM - Developing Community Partnerships and Evaluating Your Program | Tommie Farrell, MD FAAHPM HMDC, Hospice & Palliative Physician at Hendrick Health**

This presentation will cover how to discover what is most important to partnering organizations who have a vested interest in quality palliative care programs. We will look at measures that matter to hospitals and specialty clinics and ways to approach them, build a relationship and with measured success ask for funding for increase staffing.

## **Conference Day 1 - Thursday, February 22, 2024**

**7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. | Early Riser | “Taking Care of Mentally Ill Patients on Hospice”, Kelley Newcomer, Medical Director at VNA Hospice of Texas** | Referrals to hospice of patients with primary mental illness refusing treatment, and terminal illness in patients with a serious mental illness are increasing. Treating these patients is challenging and can cause moral distress in caregivers and team members. We present two cases of mental illness. **Audience: All | Level: General**



**9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. | Plenary & Awards | What’s in a Word: Keys to Compassionate, Culturally Sensitive Communication | Marcia Levetown, MD**

Don't miss this opportunity to enhance your communication skills, deepen your understanding of advance care planning, and refine your approach to breaking bad news. Join us for a transformative session that will empower you to navigate complex conversations with empathy and professionalism in your healthcare practice.

### **11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Breakout Session (Group A)**

**A-1 | “Pediatric Hospice: Pitfalls and Pearls from Our first 3 years”, Kelley Newcomer, MD, Medical Director at VNA Hospice of Texas** | This presentation is a discussion of our successful addition of pediatric hospice to an otherwise adult hospice over the past 3 years. It will include how to form a team, and how to use existing workers in both adult and pediatric roles, as well as medications, symptom management, and concurrent care.

**Audience: All | Level: General**

**A-2 | “Creating Efficient, Effective & Engaging IDTs”, Marcia Levetown, MD, MMM, HMDC, FAAHPM, Principal at HealthCare Communication Associates** | This session will explore the role of the IDT and provide practical strategies to improve your team’s interdisciplinary function. By reframing the IDT in innovative ways, you can ensure effective and efficient use of your team's time, while also enhancing staff well-being and resilience.

**Audience: All | Level: General**

**A-3 | “The Role of the Professional Chaplain: Leadership and Boundaries”, Danny Mack, Director of Spiritual Care at Christian Care Communities and Services** | This presentation will delve into how chaplains can increase their value to the hospice marketplace. Attendees will gain a deeper understanding of the profound difference leadership and boundaries play in the IDG. Those who attend will be inspired, motivated, and encouraged.

**Audience: Chaplains | Level: General**

**A-4 | Palmetto GBA Workshop (Billing and Medical Review) Part 1 of 4 | Charles Canaan & Dan George, PGBA Senior RHHI Ombudsman and Senior Medical Review**

This four-part series is designed for hospice providers, billers, administrative staff and clinicians to equip them with the tools they need to be successful with Medicare billing and documentation. **Audience: All / Level: General**

## **12 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. Lunch**

### **1:15 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. Breakout Session (Group B)**

**B-1 | “Bioethics for Interdisciplinary Team Members: Case-Based and Principle-Base”, Michael Frederick, MD, Associate Professor of Pre-Clinical Medicine at Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine** | Case-based and principle-based bioethics case analysis using the four-box method of casuistry and the four ethical principles model of Beauchamp and Childress will be taught and applied to examples for participants to analyze examples of clinical bioethics cases of a hospice/palliative care nature.

**Audience: All | Level: General**

**B-2 | “The NEW Hospice Survey Lens: IDG, Home Visits & Interviews”, Kimberly Skehan, VP Accreditation at Community Health Accreditation Partner (CHAP)** | The updated CMS hospice survey process highlights the important role of the IDG in survey readiness & success. Survey protocols are impacted directly by home visits and interviews, impacting a hospice’s survey outcome. Strategies to demonstrate compliance will be discussed.

**Audience: Administrators, Bereavement Professionals, Chaplains, Compliance, Nurses, Physicians, Social Workers, Supervisors/Managers/Leaders, Volunteer**

**Coordinators/Managers | Level: General**

**B-3 | “Hospice Caregivers and Grief: Self Care by Practicing What We Teach” Rodney Bolejack, D.Min** | The world believes hospice staff members are truly angels. But, alas, we are simply human. In our humanity, we experience grief & can be deeply impacted. We will identify various grief experiences, how unidentified grief may appear, & healthy ways to carry our grief & be more helpful care providers.

**Audience: All | Level: General**

**B-4 | Palmetto GBA Workshop (Billing and Medical Review) Part 2 of 4, Charles Canaan & Dan George, Palmetto GBA Senior RHHI Ombudsman and Senior Medical Review** | Continued from A-4

### **2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Breakout Session (Group C)**

**C-1 | “To Boldly Go Where No One Has Gone Before - Documentation Tips for Hospice Nurses”, Janet Mack, RN, Medical Review Nurse at Heart to Heart Hospice** |

Learn valuable tools and tips that will enable you to take your documentation beyond checkboxes.

**Audience: Clinical Staff | Level: General**

**C-2 | “Can We Talk? - Communication in End of Life Care”, Helen Bauer, BSN, RN, CHPN, Hospice Nurse Consultant at The Heart of Hospice** | Communication is key when it comes to quality end of life care. Whether that communication is with patients and families, coworkers, vendors, or other care providers, every member of the hospice team should know the benefits of skilled communication and how it can affect your agency’s culture.

**Audience: All | Level: General**

**C-3 | “LGBTQ+ Inclusive Care” Dr. Jessica Wright DNP APRN FNP-C ACHPN, Family Nurse Practitioner at Compassus Hospice** | This LGBTQ+ cultural competency bundle aims to bring awareness, promote inclusivity, and promote strategies to develop LGBTQ+ allies in healthcare staff members. Also to increase sexual orientation and gender identity (SOGI) discussion, EHR SOGI data collection, and completion of ACP to incorporate family of choice based on patient wishes. **Audience: All | Level: General**

**C-4 | Palmetto GBA Workshop (Billing and Medical Review) Part 3 of 4 | Charles Canaan & Dan George, Palmetto GBA Senior RHHI Ombudsman and Senior Medical Review** | See A-4 for description, continued from B-4.  
**Audience: All / Level: General**

### **3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. Breakout Session (Group D)**

**D-1 | “Non-Pain Symptoms in Hospice”, Linda Tavel, MD, Hospice and Palliative Physician** | Hospice patients experience many symptoms in addition to pain. This session will review some of the more common concerns: dyspnea, nausea, constipation, and insomnia. Non-pharmacological and pharmacological approaches will be discussed.  
**Audience: Nurses, Physicians | Level: General**

**D-2 | “At the Intersection of Hospice and Law”, Joseph Roosth, MD, Medical Director at Anchor Hospice Houston & Tanya Robinson, JD, Private Practice** | Hospice providers are increasingly under legal scrutiny from legal profession. Lawsuits abound involving such issues as failure to provide the standard of care, wrongful death, Medicare and Medicaid fraud. This talk will discuss known cases, case law and how these issues relate to ethics.  
**Audience: All | Level: General**

**D-3 | “The Ethics of Culturally Inclusive End of Life Decisions/Advance Directives”, Kimberli Phillips, PhD, LCSW, ACHP-SW, Professional Services Manager and Social Worker at BSA Hospice of the Southwest & Texas Tech University** | This presentation will present information on techniques for appropriate end of life conversations, specific advance directive information, and education on ethically and culturally specific considerations.  
**Audience: All | Level: Intermediate**

**D-4 | Palmetto GBA Workshop (Billing) Part 4 of 4, Charles Canaan & Dan George, Palmetto GBA Senior RHHI Ombudsman and Senior Medical Review** | Continued from C-4  
**Audience: All / Level: General**

## **Day 2 – Friday, February 23, 2024**

**7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. | Early Riser | “Resilience & EI Skills-Building Workshop” Rev. Carla Cheatham, PhD, Principal and Lead Trainer at Carla Cheatham Consulting Group** | We've heard much about resilience and emotional intelligence. This presentation builds on that knowledge to focus on skills individuals and teams can use to immediately build both, improve personal well-being and clinical practice, and model and teach them to colleagues and care recipients.

**Audience: All / Level: General**

**9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. | Plenary | Edgar Barens, Documentarian, Presenter for the California-based Humane Prison Hospice Project | PRISON HOSPICE - THE TIME IS NOW**

A short excerpt of the Oscar-nominated documentary will be screened at the conference followed by a robust, eye-opening, uplifting, and hopeful presentation and Q&A session.



### **10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Breakout Session (Group E)**

**E-1 | “Deprescribing: A Quality Intervention & Its Impacts” , Lauren Templeton, DO & Ellen Fulp, PharmD** | Deprescribing is a quality intervention. This presentation explores the impacts of deprescribing to navigate quality, compliant & financially sound hospice care. It will assist hospices in identifying impacts on publicly reported data & understanding and addressing barriers to medication cessation.

**Audience: All | Level: General**

**E-2 | “Follow the Yellow Brick Road: Hospice Documentation Success”, Janet Mack, RN, Medical Review Nurse at Heart to Heart Hospice** | Like Dorothy in the Wizard of Oz, we all believe there must be a Yellow Brick Road that will get us what we are looking for - documentation success! Come along on the journey with me as we explore the "Lions and Tigers and Bears, oh my!" that we encounter in our documentation for all disciplines.

**Audience: All | Level: General**

**E-3 | “Ethical issues with APS and Social Work”, Valencia Hooper-Alexander, LMSW, Hospice Social Worker** | Most families understand the hospice philosophy. But what do we do with the family that insists on calling EMS, or tells our staff not to mention hospice or dying? And what do we do with the estranged family members from out of town? We will review strategies for diffusing these tough situations.

**Audience: All | Level: General**

**E-4 | “The Application of Human Resources in Hospice”, Chassie Huffman, Senior Policy Specialist VI at Health and Human Services Commission** | We will delve into critical aspects of the rules behind managing personnel in the hospice care environment. A Texas regulatory discussion of Background checks (EMR/NAR/Criminal History), what goes in an employee file, employee evals and competency, administrator and Alternate Administrator Training and Qualifications and hospice staff training.

**Audience: All | Level: General**



## **11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Lunch**

## **12:45 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. Breakout Session (Group F)**

**F-1 | “Palliative Care for People With Intellectual Disabilities and Cancer”, Mary Scheerer, MD, Hospice and Palliative Medicine Fellow at Texas Tech University Health Science Center |**

This workshop will be an interdisciplinary discussion of case studies and approaches on how to provide palliative care for people with intellectual and/or development disabilities and cancer. Learners will gain new understanding about palliative care in this unique patient population.

**Audience: All | Level: General**

**F-2 | “Hospice Nurses Speak: Results of the Hospice Nurse Survey”, Shelley Henry, RN, CPHRM, CHPN, President at The Amity Group |**

A nationwide survey was conducted among 837 hospice field nurses aimed to identify their priorities, challenges, and suggestions for improving job satisfaction. Insights gained from this survey can aid hospice agencies in attracting and developing new nurses while reducing costly turnover.

**Audience: All | Level: Intermediate**

**F-3 | “Dealing with Issues of Suicide”, Sandi Hebley, RN, LMSW, Nurse Educator at Faith Presbyterian Hospice |**

The subject of suicide comes up with hospice patients. Physician Aid in Dying is legal in some states, which increases the likelihood of these discussions. Hospice providers need to be prepared for these conversations and how to help patients work through their options.

**Audience: All | Level: General**

**F-4 | “HCSSA Updates and Top 10 Highlights”, Julianne Urban, Program Specialist, Health and Human Services Commission |**

Changes to top 10 violations from FY 2023 and understanding how those violations can help the agency better prepare for the survey. Updates to SOM Appendix M. ANE reporting changes effective September 1, 2023.

**Audience: All | Level: General**

## **2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Breakout Session (Group G)**

**G-1 | “Must We Tell Children that They Are Dying? a Case Study”, Caroline Gold, LMSW, Hospice and Palliative Care Social Worker at Dell Children’s Medical Center |**

In this presentation, we offer a case study of a young cancer patient whose parents wished not to disclose to her that she was dying. This patient case provides an opportunity to re-evaluate practices of prognostic disclosure to children who are enrolled on hospice care. **Audience: All | Level: General**

**G-2 | “Understanding Value Based Care Organizations and Collaboration with Hospice”, Katie Andler, MSN, RN, National Director Hospice Partners, Optum Home & Community Care –**

**Landmark Health |** This presentation explores hospice collaboration from the lens of a value-based care organization. Content will include what a value-based care (VBC) organization is, why hospice is important to VBC organizations, and how to effectively market to and collaborate with VBC providers.

**Audience: All | Level: Intermediate**

**G-3 | “Guiding Through Grief: Unveiling the Power of Hospice Bereavement Services”, Jerry Fenter, System Director of Spiritual Counselors at Harbor Healthcare Systems |** In this presentation, hospice professionals will learn the critical need for a robust bereavement program, emphasizing the importance of quality bereavement care and agency sustainability. This presentation will explore the regulatory and compliance considerations that must be practiced. **Audience: All | Level: Intermediate**

**G-4 | “Medicaid Hospice Utilization Review”, Maria Gomez, Director at Texas Health & Human Services Commission |** This presentation will discuss federal regulations and state rules applied to the Medicaid Hospice Utilization Review (UR) program. An overview of the scope and responsibilities of UR, the documentation request and clinical review process, and newly adopted rules will be included. **Audience: All | Level: Intermediate**

### **3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. Dessert Reception & Poster Presentations**

### **4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Breakout Session (Group H)**

**H-1 | “Buprenorphine Basics for Beginners by a Beginner”, Tommie Farrell, MD, Hendrick Health |** Everyone is talking about buprenorphine for pain management. Have you been too intimidated to use it? This presentation will take the audience through the basics of how this opioid works, how to prescribe it, and share experiences that show clinicians how to take the initial steps. **Audience: Nurses, Physicians | Level: General**

**H-2 | “Hospice Clinician Boundaries: Achieving Balance and Avoiding Burnout”, Katherine Morrison, Director Hospice Operations at WellSky |** In hospice care, balancing intimacy with professional boundaries is crucial. Understanding and respecting limits are vital to prevent burnout and maintain quality care. Recognizing and managing risks, clinicians can safeguard themselves, patients, and families, fostering a positive care culture. **Audience: All | Level: Intermediate**

**H-3 | “Bedside Rituals for End of Life”, Rodney Bolejack, D.Min, Retired |** "When words are inadequate, have a ritual." (Anonymous). This presentation will explore the significance & the meaningfulness of rituals during end-of-life care. We will look at ways to introduce, conduct, & conclude rituals. Examples of rituals will be shared for use with individuals and groups. **Audience: All | Level: General**

**H-4 | “Change Agent 007”, Darbi Glassburn, CDVS, Director of Palliative Care and Volunteer Services at Hospice of Wichita Falls |** Overseeing volunteers can be one of the most rewarding and important jobs in any hospice organization, but with that comes the challenges of working with "unpaid employees." One inevitable challenge is change. What does change look like and how do you walk through it together and smiling? **Audience: Volunteer Coordinators/Managers | Level: General**

## CONFERENCE INFORMATION

**RECORDING SALES:** Most sessions will be audio recorded. Please purchase your 2024 TNMHO conference recording here: <https://tinyurl.com/4fnxs4h6>

**Target Audience:** Hospice Physicians, Nurses, Clinical and Support Staff, Billers, Social Workers, Chaplains, Administrators, Owners, Managers, Volunteer Coordinators, Bereavement Professionals, Aides and Volunteers.

### Overview:

The purpose of this education activity is to enhance the comfort and skills of the General and Hospice and Palliative Care Professional in the area of Interprofessional pain management by addressing skills for working with patients and families with multiple disciplines in an effort to serve the patients and families.

### Learning Objectives:

- Explain the importance of advance care planning and how to assist patients and families to create a plan.
- List two documentation challenges in Hospice and Palliative Care.
- Describe best practice communication approaches with patient/caregivers.
- Recognize grief experiences and manifestations in the hospice professional.
- Create a healthy grief self-care plan.
- Review OIG audits, recoupment, and PEPPER report.
- Recognize documented barriers to deprescribing.
- Assess pediatric symptom management and comfort kits.
- Recognize the potential benefits of hospice for the terminally ill prison, the prisoner hospice volunteer, as well as the family of the terminally ill prisoner.

*Continuing Education for Administrators, up to 17.75 Hours of CE:*

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### Requirements for Physician and Nursing credit:

- Attend/participate in the educational activity and review all course materials.
- Complete the CE Attestation form online by April 15, 2024. Instructions will be provided. If you do not enter the online portal by the above date, you will not be able to retrieve your statement of participation.
- Upon successful completion of the online form, your statement of completion will be presented to you to print.

**Mark Your Calendar:  
TNMHO's 43rd Annual Conference  
Feb. 26-28, 2025 – Houston, TX**

# PAY BY CHECK REGISTRATION FORM

TNMHO Annual Convention – Feb. 21-23, 2024

## REGISTRANT INFORMATION

TYPE or PRINT the following information. Please complete a separate form for each participant, photocopy as needed.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Professional Designation (i.e., RN, LVN, MSW, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email (required) \_\_\_\_\_

## REGISTRATION FEES

\*\*Full Conference Registration for Feb. 22-23<sup>rd</sup>

<i>Please circle the option that applies</i>	Member	Non-Member
Early Registration (postmarked by 1/17/23)	\$400	\$600
Regular Registration (postmarked by 1/17/23)	\$425	\$625
Late Registration (postmarked after 2/14/23)	\$475	\$675

**Add On: PALLIATIVE CARE Preconference (2/21)    \$75    \$100**

ONE DAY REGISTRATIONS (this includes the PC Preconference if you are not registering for the full conference):

One-Day Reg. (by 01/17) for ☐ Sat. or ☐ Sun.    \$270    \$370

One-Day Reg. (after 1/17) for ☐ Sat. or ☐ Sun.    \$299    \$399

☐ Presenter Discount of \$150.00

**TOTAL AMOUNT REGISTRATION** \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Check if you require special services to fully participate in the program. Attach a written description of your needs.

Full payment MUST accompany all registrations. Registrations without payment attached will be returned. The postmarked date of mailing will determine the registration rate. Make checks and charges payable to Texas & New Mexico Hospice Organization.

(T&NMHO TAX ID #: 75-1870672) MAIL PAYMENT TO: TNMHO, 1108 Lavaca, Suite 727, AUSTIN, TX 78701

If paying by credit card, please register at: <https://tinyurl.com/2vs2vs3a>

**CANCELLATION POLICY:** Cancellations received by email by 5:00 pm on Feb. 1, 2024 will be entitled to a refund, less a \$25 administrative fee. Cancellations after Feb. 1, 2024 and conference "no-shows" forfeit their entire registration fee. Substitutions are welcome. Please advise TNMHO by email if a substitute will be attending in your place. Telephone cancellations CANNOT be accepted. Email: [bbaker@txnmhospice.org](mailto:bbaker@txnmhospice.org) with substitutions and cancellations.

**Accommodations:** AT&T Hotel & Conference Center

Book Your Special Room Rate Here: <https://tinyurl.com/2kvy39ra>

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