National Palliative Care Grant Recipients’ Forum

**7-8 April 2016 | Vibe Hotel, Canberra Airport**

**Project Information Form**

**Project:** Training Counsellors for Carers of Palliative Patients

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| **Key objectives** | Increase the knowledge and skills of workers who work with carers of palliative care patients |
| **Key outcomes**  *(e.g. resource development, education and training)* | Education and training workshop and resources developed  21 workshops delivered across Australia to 211 participants |
| **Target audience**  *(e.g. who is the target audience/s for your project activities?)* | Workers, in particular counsellors and social workers, who work with families and friends of people who are in palliative care. |
| **Outcomes to date** | 211 workers participated in 21 workshops.  Feedback was positive with over 95 of participants stating they had increased their knowledge and skills in support carers of palliative care patients. |
| **Challenges & lessons learnt**  *(e.g. were there any difficulties which may assist others?)* | Need for more in-depth information on cultural issues, working with children and those with dementia.  Need to develop in-depth workshops in these topics.  Challenge of reaching rural and remote workers – need to explore variety of delivery methods. |
| **Plans for 2016 and 2017** | N/A |