

'Communicating spiritual care; exploration, expression and delivery'

AHPCC Annual Conference, Monday 15th – Wednesday 17th May 2023

Dear Colleague

On behalf of the AHPCC Executive, we would like to extend a warm invitation to you and your chaplaincy colleagues to attend our Annual Conference.

Please enjoy perusing through the programme (still subject to minor changes) which is attached to this letter and on our website: <u>www.ahpcc.org.uk</u> We are excited about the calibre of our speakers, Kei Okada, Ewan Kelly, Kathryn Lord, Jill Thornton, Steve Radley who will engage, provoke and stimulate. There will also be a chance to get in touch with our creative side. A variety of workshops will offer a breadth of insights into contemporary chaplaincy offering and also new this year are 2 interactive presentations which amongst other things proffers an opportunity to reflect on our practice. I hope also anyone attending will come away equipped with some new tools and resources.

Our conference chaplain, Rosie Deedes, will be available as a listening and supportive ear. There will also be an opportunity to see an interesting film of a dramatisation of the early work of Dame Cicily Saunders.

Please take time to read through the biographies of our speakers, as they come available to be seen on our website.

If you are able to join us you will be taken on an intellectual and stimulating journey and receive **9 CPD** points (TBC). However, as always, our conference also finds its zest in the informal conversations that take place at other more leisurely times outside of the keynote talks and workshop activities. You will benefit from these days set apart to experience mutual fellowship of colleagues, spiritual refreshment and a renewal of the energy that sustains us. So, we really encourage you to come along and bring other colleagues from your regions who may also benefit. We know from our own experience that you won't regret joining with us, *especially* if it's your first time at an AHPCC conference!

All the members of the AHPCC Executive hope that you will make our conference a priority this year and look forward to you joining with us in May.

With Warm Regards

Keith Morrison and Jill Thornton Conference Organisers

