NHPCO COVID-19 Update – 05/21/21

NHPCO has created this update for hospice and palliative care providers to share recent news and helpful links. Please note, these Updates are published when there is helpful news to share.

"Service is the rent that you pay for room on this earth." – Shirley Chisholm

Provider Update

TRACIE Resources on Healthcare Operations During the COVID-19 Pandemic

- **Webinar Slides:** HHS ASPR Technical Resources, Assistance Center, and Information Exchange (TRACIE) released their slides from a webinar on healthcare operations during the COVID-19 pandemic. Nicolette Louissaint, PhD, the Executive Director of Healthcare Ready, shares how they leveraged unique relationships with government, nonprofit, and medical supply chains to build and enhance the resilience of communities before and during the COVID-19 pandemic.

- **Interview with CEO of The Elizabeth Hospice:** HHS ASPR Technical Resources, Assistance Center, and Information Exchange (TRACIE) released a transcript of an interview discussing hospice during COVID-19. For a profession whose mission is to help terminally ill patients plan their final days and guide them and their loved ones through the passage emotionally and spiritually, a global pandemic presented the ultimate challenge. ASPR TRACIE met with Sarah McSpadden, RN, MSN, MHA, President and Chief Executive Officer of The Elizabeth Hospice, to learn more about her experiences during the COVID-19 pandemic.

- **A Rural Perspective:** HHS ASPR Technical Resources, Assistance Center, and Information Exchange (TRACIE) released a transcript of an interview discussing home care and hospice during COVID-19 from a rural perspective. In rural areas, home care and hospice often go hand in hand. Sue Heitkamp, RN, BSN, President, and Joelle Goldade, RN, BSN, CHPN, COS-C, HCS-D, Director of Clinical Operations (both of CHI Health at Home), shared how they carried out these important services during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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