Evaluate if the patient meets palliative program criteria:

WRHA
- diagnosis of life-limiting illness
- estimated prognosis less than or equal to 6 months
- "do not attempt resuscitation" status established
- not undergoing or planning a course of treatment with expectations of monitoring for and intervening for complications

Rural RHA
- contact individual RHA to obtain details on eligibility criteria

** Note: Application is sent to RHA where municipal taxes are paid or the region where the first nations reserve is geographically located

Complete Manitoba Palliative Care Drug Access Program (PCDAP) Application

** Completing application does not mean that patient is accepted on palliative care program. Applications are reviewed prior to acceptance.
- Requires physician/NP signature
- Incomplete application will result in delays in processing
- Ensure patient/family aware of application
- Discuss advance care planning - Health Care Directive
- In the WRHA the patient and health care team will be notified if accepted or rejected. Contact rural programs directly to determine application status.

Ensure Primary Care Provider Aware of Transition to Palliative Care

- Communicate that palliative application has been completed and include other relevant info

Consider Psychosocial Needs

- Assess current services, initiate referral or notify current clinician of palliative application

Provide Compassionate Care Benefit Information

- Provide the following:
  - Information on program
  - Authorization to Release a Medical Certificate
  - Medical Certificate for EI Compassionate Care Benefits

Provide Information to Patient/Family

- Canadian Virtual Hospice and Hospice Palliative Care Manitoba pamphlets
- Relevant info about symptoms (see J drive » Palliative Care » Patient-Family Resources)
- If from Winnipeg - WRHA Palliative Care Program pamphlet
- If rural – Rural Cancer Navigation pamphlet and RHA Palliative Care Program contact information (name and phone number of palliative care coordinator)
- First Nations, Métis and Inuit Cancer Control – Tel. 1-855-881-4395

Consider Referral to Home Care

- ** If palliative care application accepted, home care will be involved automatically

Consider CCMB Resources

1) CCMB Pain & Symptom physician on call (Monday-Friday, regular work hours)
2) Referral to CCMB Pain & Symptom Clinic
3) Access CCMB Clinical Nurse Specialist, Transition & Palliative Care: 204-235-3363
4) Referral to CCMB Psychosocial Oncology
5) Access Patient Access Coordinator, First Nations, Métis and Inuit Cancer Control at 1-855-881-4395
6) Consider rural/regional resources and Navigation Services

Consider Palliative Care Resources

- A Physician from anywhere in the province may contact the Palliative Care Physician on call (available 24/7) through STB Paging at 204-237-2053.
- Rural palliative care resources vary. All regions have palliative care coordinators who can be contacted

Palliative Care Program Information

If questions, call the palliative care program directly.
WRHA palliative care program inquiries can be directed to 204-237-2400. Rural contact info see J drive.

CCMB Resources Contact Information

If questions, call CCMB CNS - Transition & Palliative Care at: Tel. 204-235-3363 Pager 204-931-3061 or the CCMB Pain & Symptom Physician on call

All palliative care forms, info and handouts available on the J drive, in the "Palliative Care" folder