

Hospice workshop gives training in dealing with death, dying

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Hospice II, a workshop for hospice caregivers, was held April 15 and 16, 1982 in Anchorage. Presentations covered cultural issues associated with death and dying; legal concerns of patients, families and caregivers; and home assessment of the hospice patient.

Sharon Wills, R.N., M.N., formerly patient care director of Hospice of Marin, was the principal speaker, addressing patient and family care issues.

A panel discussion of personal and professional viewpoints of death and dying provided much valuable insight into the Alaskan cultural system. A tape of the panel discussion is available on loan

from the Hospice of Anchorage office.

Margarette Glastetter, Outreach worker and Social Service Aide from Anchorage, and Marvel Bramwell, Village Health Services Coordinator, were on the panel.

Marvel and Margaret also made a video tape on death and dying which will be used for CHA training.