

# BLUEPRINT FOR ACTION

## 2020-2025

The Quality End-of-Life Care Coalition of Canada (QELCCC) is a group of 35 national organizations dedicated to advocating that all Canadians have the right to die with dignity, free of pain, in a setting of their choice and surrounded by their loved ones.

**270,000**  
Canadians die each year

**90%**  


die of chronic illness such as cancer, heart disease, organ failure, dementia or frailty

Many of these individuals could benefit from hospice palliative care

### Moving Forward - The Next 5 Years

The need for hospice palliative care in Canada will continue to grow



The QELCCC produced the Blueprint for Action 2020-2025 to continue to improve quality hospice palliative care and access for all Canadians. The Blueprint for Action outlines four priorities over the next 5 years:



1- Increasing public awareness around hospice palliative care's benefits, issues and areas needing improvement, including support for caregivers and those experiencing grief and bereavement.



3- Contributing to systematic, standardized research and data collection on hospice palliative care with special interest including formal and informal caregivers, and grief and bereavement.



2- Ensuring health care providers, volunteers, communities, formal and informal caregivers and others have access to education and training to ensure they possess the required competencies to provide optimal care.



4- Advocating for universally accessible and culturally safe access to hospice palliative care for under-served populations and those who provide caregiving and experience grief and bereavement.