

Snowline Hospice

Compassionate Care for Patient and Family

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DR. SHERELLEN GERHART REJOINS SNOWLINE HOSPICE AS MEDICAL DIRECTOR

(Diamond Springs, CA)- It is with great pleasure that Snowline Hospice welcomes Dr. Sherellen Gerhart back as Medical Director. Dr. Gerhart is responsible for the overall medial component of Snowline Hospice's patient care program.

"We are excited that Dr. Gerhart has come back to Snowline," said Jeff Henderson, Executive Director, "Her extensive knowledge of hospice care and previous experience are a real asset to Snowline Hospice ."

Gerhart is practicing physician Board Certified in Internal Medicine, Geriatrics, and Palliative Care. She received her MD from the University of Texas Health Science Center and completed her Internal Medicine residency at the University of California at Davis. She has provided medicine in several areas among them: hospice care, home care, in-patient services, and urgent care. Gerhart was Medical Director for Snowline Hospice from April 2002-April 2006. She has received several awards throughout her career one of which she is most proud of is being named El Dorado County's Hero in Healthcare in 2005.

"I came back to Snowline Hospice because I believe that the hospice plan of care is the best way to practice medicine," said Dr. Sherellen Gehart. "It focuses on the whole patient, physically, emotionally, and spiritually, utilizing a interdisciplinary team approach."

Hospice is a form of medical care that is provided to people who are confronting a serious illness when curing the disease is no longer a realistic goal. It includes all the services needed to manage someone's symptoms and complications. By providing pain and symptom management, and emotional and spiritual support for the whole family, hospice helps people to be comfortable and retain their dignity.

Snowline Hospice would not be able to provide compassionate care without community involvement. The El Dorado County and Folsom communities are very generous with their support of the four Snowline Hospice thrift stores through shopping and material donations. Other community support areas including general donations and participating in fundraising events.

Snowline Hospice is a community-based nonprofit organization located in El Dorado County, California. The mission of Snowline Hospice is to meet the unique physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of people as they approach the end of life. Hospice care enhances the living, comforts the dying, and supports the grieving with compassion and dignity. Snowline Hospice serves the Western Slope of El Dorado County and Folsom