



ATHENA INSTITUTE FOR WOMEN'S WELLNESS RESEARCH

PRE-MED HOSPICE VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Overview:

Athena Institute completely funds Ardmore Presbyterian Church to employ Program Director Rev. Dr. Graham Robinson to recruit pre-med college students to volunteer at and be trained by local hospices to “inoculate” those students with the sense of the spirituality, humanity and concerns of end-of-life patients. Awards Certificates of Completion.

Relationships Involved In The Hospice Program:

ATHENA INSTITUTE FOR WOMEN’S WELLNESS

created & funds Program
Provides Director guidance on expansion plans.

ARDMORE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

employs & oversees Rev. Robinson under the auspices of its Task Force, Session and Personnel Committee

PROGRAM DIRECTOR: THE REV. DR. GRAHAM ROBINSON

Manages selection of colleges and hospices. Works with college pre-med advisors selecting students and with hospice volunteer coordinator training them and enlists chaplains near colleges re: spiritual issues

SELECTED LOCAL HOSPICES

Screen & train the students and assign them to patients

SELECTED COLLEGES *

Pre-Med advisors recruit students for Program

LOCAL CHAPLAINS

Supplement Rev. Robinson re: issues of spirituality

PRE-MED STUDENT VOLUNTEERS

Receive 16 hours hospice training & Get assigned to end-of-life patients.
Write Reflection Essays on experience.
Earn Certificate of Completion for their applications to medical schools.

**The 56 Hospice Volunteers in 2015 include students in pre-med programs at:
Swarthmore, Bryn Mawr, Haverford Colleges, as well as Princeton and Eastern Universities*

*For the 2015-16 program year, 3 new Pre-med Programs are joining from:
Ursinus College, Villanova University and University of Pittsburgh*