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NHHH Gets Palliative Room Makeover

The Norfolk Hospital Nursing Home is a Long Term Care Home, built in 1975. NHHH prides itself on being home to 80 residents. The majority of the rooms being four bed wards can sometime pose a privacy problem when providing end of life care to residents. Several years ago, under the supervision of Lu Anne Crandall former Director of Care, a private palliative care room was created.

Last year it became very apparent that this private palliative room was in much need of a makeover.

Enter Jennifer White of the of the Norfolk General Hospital Foundation NHHH was made aware of grant funding available from the Aberdeen Foundation through Jennifer White of the Norfolk General Hospital Foundation. White was instrumental in helping NHHH apply and receive the grant of \$35,000. The NHHH Palliative Care Committee was of course absolutely thrilled when presented with the funds.

Vicky Florio, NHHH Director of Care, told the committee, “this is your room, take these funds and make it yours.”

And that they did! A tranquil, peaceful environment was created. The remodeled space now matches the high quality, compassionate end of life care the staff provides to residents and their families.

“I am so proud of the work the staff has done” stated Florio, “Each member of the Palliative Care Committee has demonstrated true dedication and compassion. Thank you: Nancy Vanpaassen, Cathy Vandesompele, Danielle Oosting, Amber Whitcroft, Kris Murray, Mary Novak, Dianne Hedges, Susan Pajor, Cathy Squires, and Nadine Cole. “



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