Interprofessional Collaboration in Palliative Care

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"Interprofessional Collaboration occurs when there is a partnership between a team of health providers and a client in a participatory, collaborative and coordinated approach to shared decision-making around health and social issues" (CIHC 2010 p24)



The Interprofessional Collaboration & Palliative Care Connection

 Palliative care - a social model of care that advocates a holistic interprofessional perspective

Many assumptions



Rational and Significance

Known

- The broad
 parameters of
 interprofessional
 collaboration
- It's a complex social process

Unknown

- How interprofessional collaboration translates into practice
- How to sustain this once it is achieved

The Question



What is the main concern of patients/families and health professionals working collaboratively in palliative care and how do they manage that?

The Literature

- 1. International developments
- 2. Terminological confusion
- 3. Social developments



International Developments

- 1970's
- 1980's
- 1990's
- 2000's

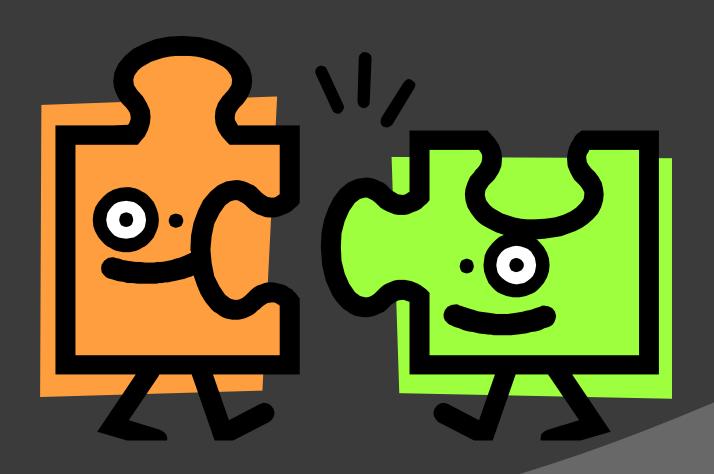
- UK
- Canada
- Australia
- New Zealand?



Terminological Confusion



The Social Context



Study Design

- Classic Grounded Theory
 - A systematic generation of theory from data
 - Inductive methodology
 - An integrated set of conceptual hypothesis
 - Well suited to discovering the participants problem and then generating a theory accounting for the processing of the problem

(Glaser 1998)

Aim

To identify the main concern of patients/families and health professionals working collaboratively in palliative care and find out how they manage that.

Participants – 30 to 40

- Health professional or palliative patient/family caregiver
- Minimum input of 3 health care professionals
- Location Auckland / Midland regions
- Language English

- Health professionals working at Hospice Waikato
- Patients in terminal stage of illness
- Doesn't meet the inclusion criteria

Inclusion

Exclusion

Recruitment



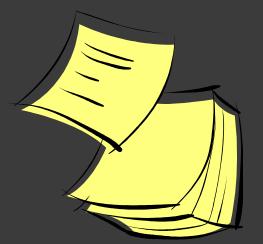
Vulnerability



Data Collection,

- Interviews
- Taping vs field notes





Coding. Categorising, Memoing & Theoretical Sampling



Rigour and Credibility

- Fit
- Workabiliy
- Relevance
- Modifiability

