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This *Compendium* is the most comprehensive reference on pediatric palliative care available in the United States. The *Compendium* is divided into four sections that cover major elements of the field, to include:

- *Models of Pediatric Palliative Care*: defines the need for palliative care, models of care delivery, program implementation, and models for education;
- *Communication, Ethics and Decision-making*: defines pain management and other symptoms in children; provision of hospice and palliative care to newborns;
- *Psychosocial and Spiritual Care of Children Living with Life-threatening Conditions*: includes spiritual and bereavement issues.



The *Compendium* also includes an extensive Appendix of materials intended to assist hospices and others in creating pediatric palliative services.

To order the *Compendium of Palliative Care* on-line, visit The National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization website: www.nhpc.org.

- Click on NHPCO's Marketplace icon on the left side of the page;
- Click on *Technical Materials* and search for Item #810030.

The item can be ordered by phone by contacting NHPCO at 703-516-4928.

The ChiPPs Program:

The Children's International Project on Palliative/Hospice Services works to enhance the science and practice of pediatric hospice and palliative care, and to increase the availability of state-of-the-art services to families.

From November 1998 to December 2001 more than thirty international leaders in the field of pediatric palliative care collaborated with the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization to develop the Children's International Project on Palliative/Hospice Services. Project participants have worked to make the best-known practices in the field of pediatric palliative care more widely available to care providers by addressing issues of ethics and decision-making; clinical care; pain and symptom management; psychosocial, spiritual, and bereavement as well as education, policy, and administrative challenges.

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