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BCHIP cordially invites you...

Respecting Choices – An Overview

With Presenter

Bernard “Bud” Hammes, Ph.D.,

Director of Medical Humanities

and Respecting Choices at Gundersen Health System

Wednesday, March 16, 2016

8:30 AM – 11:30 AM OR 1 PM – 4 PM

Penn Hall 257 Lecture Room

Bucks County Community College

275 Swamp Road, Newtown PA 18940

Please join interested community members, business, faith, government, legal, healthcare and thought leaders to learn about a very successful program that assists in Advanced Healthcare Planning. **Respecting Choices is an evidence based program, developed by Gundersen Health System** and implemented originally in La Crosse, Wisconsin, where over 95% of community members now have completed advance healthcare directives. In the process, people have become more comfortable talking about end of life issues well in advance of the need to make choices about care.

Please feel free to invite others who you think would like to be involved. **Don't miss this important event to benefit our community and an opportunity to get involved.**

Register online: <http://respecting-choices-an-overview.eventbrite.com>

Or for more information email

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Dr. Bernard

Hammes is the director of Medical Humanities and Respecting Choices® for Gundersen Health System headquartered in La Crosse, Wisconsin.

He provides educational programs for house staff, medical students, nursing students and physician assistant students. He also provides in-services and workshops for the medical staff, nursing staff, social workers and the pastoral care department. Dr. Hammes chairs both the Institutional Review Board and Ethics Committee at Gundersen. He serves the role of ethics consultant on the Ethics Committee.

Dr. Hammes' work has been primarily focused on improving care for patients with serious illness. He has developed institutional policies and practices, staff education and patient/community education with a special focus on advance care planning.