

palliAGEDgp - Updated version now available



palliAGEDgp is a smartphone app that helps GPs who are caring for older palliative patients living at home or in residential care. As most deaths are expected, death can be planned for and the required care delivered in a pre-emptive fashion. General practitioners (GPs) have a central role in planning and providing for that care. palliAGEDgp can help them in this role.

The app was designed and developed following a review of available apps relevant to palliative care and aged care. It recognises that GPs make use of mobile technologies in managing and providing care.

The app makes use of a framework of care which starts with a GP considering if they would be surprised if this patient died in the next 6 to 12 months. The key clinical processes resulting from their assessment are – advance care plan, case conference, or terminal care management plan. The app provides information and resources to support each of these and includes prescribing support for common symptoms experienced in the terminal phase. The app is one of a [suite of resources](#) for GPs on palliative care and advance care planning being developed by Decision Assist.

The GATI Project team have reviewed the content currently on the palliAGEDgp app and developed an updated version which is now available for download. This updated version will include both access to updated resources and the online-offline capacity which means the app can be used anywhere in Australia even in areas where there is limited internet coverage. As the app is web-based, it can be updated as new evidence and resources are released. palliAGEDgp is free to download.

For those GPs who may not have a smartphone, have a phone that does not meet current software standards, or who may prefer to use web-based resources or view content on their tablet - for optimal user experience, we would recommend viewing the palliAGEDgp content online through your web browser at

apps.caresearch.com.au/palliAGED

A desktop shortcut can be created using Internet Explorer which will display the palliAGEDgp icon on your desktop, this will give the appearance of the app whilst providing rapid access to web version of palliAGEDgp. Instructions on [creating a desktop shortcut](#) are now available (222kb pdf).

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More information about the palliAGEDgp app - [palliAGEDgp fact sheet](#) (354kb pdf)