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## Press Release

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### **Hospice Alliance's Hosts National Healthcare Decisions Day Event**

Pleasant Prairie, WI – Hospice Alliance is pleased to team up with area health and human service organizations on April 16<sup>th</sup> for a special National Healthcare Decisions Day community event. As part of the 8<sup>th</sup> annual national event, Hospice Alliance will offer education and information on the importance of completing a Wisconsin Power of Attorney (POA) for Healthcare from 9:00am to 4:00pm at its office located at 10220 Prairie Ridge Blvd., Pleasant Prairie, and WI. Attendees do not need to schedule an appointment.

A short informational video will run, featuring local attorney, Carl Holborn, from O'Neil, Cannon, Hollman, Dejon, and Laing, a Milwaukee firm. Using easy-to-understand language and real-world examples, Holborn outlines the importance of having a POA for Healthcare. Hospice Alliance staff and volunteers will also be on hand throughout the day to assist with questions and completion of the Wisconsin POA for Healthcare form.

"We are pleased to be a part of this very important national initiative," said Rita Hagen, Executive Director, Hospice Alliance. "Documenting how you would like to be cared for when you are unable to speak for yourself, is one of the greatest gifts that you can give to your family, whether you are young or old."

Other organizations participating in the National Healthcare Decisions Day Event include: United Hospital Systems, ADRC, Community Care, Aurora Health Care, ManorCare Kenosha and Brookside Care Center.

Please call 262.652.4400 or visit [www.hospicealliance.org](http://www.hospicealliance.org) for more information.

#### **Background:**

A winner of the prestigious Hospice Honors award, Hospice Alliance, the #1 provider of hospice care in Southeastern Wisconsin, is committed to offering compassionate physical, emotional and spiritual care, and educating our patients, those who support them, and the communities we serve. Personalized care for patients and families who are facing life-limiting illnesses is available in the patient's or loved one's private home, assisted living and skilled nursing facilities and in the Kenosha and Racine Hospice Alliance Houses. The Hospice Houses are the only 24/7 hospice facilities of their kind in this corner of the state.

Hospice Alliance is your compassionate, community non-profit hospice, incorporated in 1981. For more information, please call 262-652-4400 or visit [www.hospicealliance.org](http://www.hospicealliance.org)

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