



# **ATHENA INSTITUTE** **FOR WOMEN'S WELLNESS RESEARCH**

## **PRE-MED HOSPICE VOLUNTEER PROGRAM**

### **Overview:**

Athena Institute completely funds Ardmore Presbyterian Church to employ Program Director Rev. Dr. Graham Robinson to recruit pre-med college students to volunteer at and be trained by local hospices to “inoculate” those students with the sense of the spirituality, humanity and concerns of end-of-life patients. Awards Certificates of Completion.

### **Relationships Involved In The Hospice Program:**

#### **ATHENA INSTITUTE FOR WOMEN’S WELLNESS**

created & funds Program  
Provides Director guidance on expansion plans.

#### **ARDMORE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

employs & oversees Rev. Robinson under the auspices of its Task Force, Session and Personnel Committee

### **PROGRAM DIRECTOR: THE REV. DR. GRAHAM ROBINSON**

Manages selection of colleges and hospices. Works with college pre-med advisors selecting students and with hospice volunteer coordinator training them and enlists chaplains near colleges re: spiritual issues

#### **SELECTED LOCAL HOSPICES**

Screen & train the students and assign them to patients

#### **SELECTED COLLEGES \***

Pre-Med advisors recruit students for Program

#### **LOCAL CHAPLAINS**

Supplement Rev. Robinson re: issues of spirituality

### **PRE-MED STUDENT VOLUNTEERS**

Receive up to 16 hours hospice training & Get assigned to end-of-life patients.  
Write Reflection Essays on experience, published on our website.  
Earn Certificate of Completion for their applications to medical schools.

*\* Participating colleges include students in pre-med programs at: Princeton University, Swarthmore, Bryn Mawr, Haverford and Ursinus Colleges, as well as Villanova University, Michigan, UVA and University of Pittsburgh. This list changes from year to year—see Athena’s website for most recent list.*