

Biography— Maria Ferrell

Maria Ferrell has specialized in hospice and palliative care since 2000. She has practiced as an APRN with Kansas City Hospice & Palliative Care since 2005, working in home hospice, inpatient hospice, palliative home health and community-based palliative provider roles. A graduate of the University of Missouri-Columbia with a master's degree in nursing, she is board-certified as a clinical nurse specialist, an advanced certified hospice and palliative nurse, and an adult-gerontology nurse practitioner . She received the American Academy of Hospice & Palliative Medicine Mentorship Award in 2007-2008. Maria has a special interest in community-based palliative care and bringing those benefits to others earlier in the course of illness.