

Project: Promotion and Implementation of appropriate Palliative care for older adults. Applicant: Andres F. Leone MD. - Palmetto Health Alliance / University of South Carolina School of Medicine.

The targeted population consists of older adults and vulnerable older adults of the community.

The goal of Dr. Andres Leone's project is to create an excellent and outstanding model of palliative care in and outside the hospital setting. He envisions and will implement a palliative care team that is able to provide holistic evaluations to patients at their most vulnerable time. Providing excellent medical care for palliation and accompanying individuals in their journey as they face and battle illnesses, providing comfort, alleviating symptoms, guiding patients through the process of making informed medical decisions, choosing appropriate goals of care for themselves. This project will be initiated in the intensive care unit and then will be concentrated in 3 different phases or arms: (1) Patients in the hospital setting, (2) in the post-hospital setting, and (3) in the pre-hospital setting.