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# Workshop

## Hospice and Palliative Care in Rural Montana with Skye McGinty and Dr. Melody Cunningham

**Tuesday, September 19, 5:30 – 7 p.m.**  
**Missoula Public Library, 4th Floor, Cooper Room**  
**Free. Open to the public.**

Join Skye McGinty, executive director of All Nations Health Center, and Melody Cunningham, MD, FAAHPM, to discuss hospice and palliative care in rural Montana and for Native communities.

Access to hospice and palliative care can be challenging even in places with the most resources. The obstacles in a designated frontier state such as Montana, with an average of less than six people per square mile, are often magnified — requiring more creative and thoughtful solutions to providing compassionate end-of-life care.

McGinty and Cunningham will cover a range of topics including access to telemedicine in rural areas, community caregivers who can assist with providing quality end-of-life care, and the challenges and desire for individuals who are dying to remain in their homes. All are welcome to learn, ask questions and offer creative perspectives on how to enhance our ability to provide care to all those who need it wherever they live.



As executive director of All Nations Health Center, **Skye McGinty** champions the organization's mission to provide a comprehensive suite of culturally attuned services and programs for elders, children, adults and families — at the intersection of Western medicine, Indigenous knowledge and resilience-oriented holistic healthcare.



**Dr. Melody Cunningham** serves on the board of Partners Hope Foundation and is a certified Hospice and Palliative Medicine physician who speaks about the principles of and access to hospice and palliative care nationally and internationally. She is particularly focused on dignified and comfortable end-of-life care for all Montanans across rural and urban settings.

**Partners Hope Foundation and All Nations Health Center** are currently collaborating to create a “campus of care” in Missoula that includes Partners Hope Foundation's center for hospice and end-of-life care currently under construction and All Nations' future home. Both organizations thank the Institute of Health and Humanities at the University of Montana for their support of this program.