

Literature Reviews on Palliative Care Family Carer Research

Note:

This list of literature reviews in palliative care family carer research is compiled by the IPCFRC Administrator via [PubMed](#) search using the search terms: 'caregiver', 'carer', 'hospice' and 'palliative'; and spanning the period of **1 Sept 2013 – 13 Feb 2015**. The search yielded a total number of **66** publications which are listed below. This list will be reviewed and updated annually and serves as a basic resource to aid those who are looking for publications related to family carer research. Please note that this is not a comprehensive list of publications in the area of family carer research.

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