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BEFRIENDER TRAINING 2013

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The Pastoral Care Department at Trinity Regional Medical Center in Rock Island is delighted to offer BeFriender Training once again beginning in March.

BeFrienders Defined: A BeFriender is a volunteer who is a trained and oriented member of our community. This caregiver is gifted and mature. The BeFriender visits patients within the hospital or their faith congregation.

BeFriender Training is a 10-week course.

Preliminary Interview is required: A member of the chaplaincy staff will interview each prospective student to determine compatibility with the program. This is done soon after a person registers for the course.

Subjects covered such as: Developing listening skills; understanding grief; the role of the BeFriender; understanding ecumenism, confidentiality, and boundaries; becoming familiar with hospital rules and policies.

BeFrienders are: Mature, gifted and motivated students who wish to do ministry of visitation for their congregation or the community.

Commitment to learning: We will utilize chaplains, nurses, social work people and medical staff to teach the ten week course. It is expected that each student will attend all the classes.

Cost: (includes notebooks, teaching and handouts)

Free for those willing to give one year of service to Trinity Medical Center after finishing the training.

\$75 for an individual without other obligations to the hospital.

\$150 per five students from any one congregation without obligations to Trinity Medical Center.

Dates:

Registration: now through February 25, 2013

Late registration until March 8, 2013 is \$10 more

Please call 309-779-2989 or 779-2291

Or Email hansenrl@ihs.org

Classes Begin: March 12, 2013 consecutive Tuesdays for 10 weeks

Times are usually between 1:00 pm and 4:00 pm

Location: mostly at Rock Island Trinity Medical Center

Registration forms are available in the church office.

