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**Ruth McLain, MD, Old Colony Hospice Medical Director,  
Earns Board Certification in Hospice and Palliative Care**

**(Randolph, MA)** Old Colony Hospice is pleased to announce that Ruth McLain, MD, successfully earned her Board Certification in Hospice and Palliative Care from the American Board of Internal Medicine (ABIM). This was the first time that ABIM offered this certification examination.

A growing body of research suggests that Board Certified physicians deliver higher quality care than non-certified physicians. Board Certification demonstrates to the public that physicians have met the highest standards of internal medicine and its subspecialties.

Madeline O'Reilly, Vice-President for Clinical Services, shared "This is a wonderful accomplishment for Dr. McLain and certainly demonstrates a higher level of competence of our professional staff. We are proud of Dr. McLain and the exemplary care she provides to our patients whether she is making a home visit or working with members of the interdisciplinary group and the patient's attending physician regarding the patient's plan of care. She is truly dedicated to treating the individual needs of each patient and their family."

Dr. McLain is on staff at Good Samaritan Medical Center and Signature Healthcare Brockton Hospital. She was one of the founders of Old Colony Hospice in 1979. In her role as Old Colony Hospice Medical Director, Dr. McLain was instrumental in the development of the Palliative Care Consultation Service at SHBH. Dr. McLain is also Board -Certified in Internal Medicine, Medical Oncology and Geriatric Medicine.

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