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**Hospice of Michigan Holds
Healing Improv Workshop with Bart Sumner**

Big Rapids, Michigan, July 1, 2015 — Hospice of Michigan will hold a Healing Improv Workshop with Bart Sumner on Friday, Aug. 14.

This free workshop for adults is designed to bring a healing experience to those in grief in a fun and interactive way. Participants will learn how to break down emotional barriers and increase communication with others through comedy improv, games and exercises. Light snacks and refreshments will be provided.

Bart Sumner, founder of Healing Improv, has been an improv comedy teacher and performer for more than 25 years. After his son died, Sumner found improv was a way to channel grief and discover joy and hope during the darkest of times.

The program will be held at Hospice of Michigan of Michigan's Big Rapids office at 400 Perry Street from 1 to 2:30 p.m. To register, contact Tangela Zielinski at 231.796.7371 or tzielins@hom.org.

About Hospice of Michigan

A nationally recognized leader in end-of-life care, Hospice of Michigan is the original – and largest – hospice in the state. The non-profit cares for more than 1,400 patients each day in 56 counties across Michigan, raising more than \$4 million each year to cover the cost of care for the uninsured and underinsured. HOM offers a broad range of services to enhance the quality of life at the end of life, including At Home Support™, our advanced illness management program, community-based palliative care and pediatric care programs. HOM provides grief support and counseling, caregiver education and support, and education programs for physicians and healthcare professionals through its research, training and education arm, the Hospice of Michigan Institute. For more information, call 888.247.5701 or visit www.hom.org.

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