

Understanding the gift of hospice

Hospice is a gift – it gives people who are facing a life-limiting illness the freedom to live ALL the days of their lives by offering comfort, dignity, quality of life and time.

What is hospice?

Hospice is a compassionate form of healthcare that provides non-curative treatment and comfort to people with the life expectancy of six months or less, according to a physician's judgment. It is centered and caring for the whole person - with expert medical care, pain management, as well as emotional and spiritual support for you - along with resources, information and emotional support for your family.

This compassionate care about people helping people, and our team of hospice experts goes to great lengths to help our patients and their loved ones live each day to the fullest. Because we understand that as you approach the end of life, every moment matters.

How does Hospice work?

This expert care is provided in the comfort of your own home - wherever you call home. Our team of physicians, nurses, hospice aides, social workers, chaplains, bereavement counselors and volunteers work together to meet your unique needs. We meet you where you are – seeking to learn what matters most to you at this stage of your illness – so we can deliver the best possible care for you.

Who pays for hospice?

Hospice care - including all medications, equipment and supplies related to the terminal diagnosis is covered by Medicare as well as most Medicaid and commercial insurance plans. We are familiar with the rules and allowances of the hospice benefit, and we are here to answer any questions you may have.

In collaboration with a patient's own physician and our dedicated Hospice Medical Director, we focus on each patient's quality of life. Our goal is simple: We strive to keep our patients as comfortable and as pain-free as possible while providing expert medical care, pain and symptom management, and emotional and spiritual support. Not only for our patients, but also for their family and loved ones. We provide stability, compassion and comfort when and where it's needed most.



- **Volunteers**

- **Nurse**

- **Medical Doctor**

- **Hospice Aide**

- **Social Worker**

- **Chaplain**

- **Bereavement
Counselor**



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