

Hospice Care: Comfort, Dignity and Support, Anytime You Need It

Hospice care is built on the belief that every person deserves comfort, dignity and quality of life when facing a life-limiting illness. Rather than focusing on curing the disease, hospice focuses on living well for the time that remains.

KEY PRINCIPLES OF HOSPICE PHILOSOPHY:

- **Patient-centered:** Care is guided by the patient's wishes and goals.
- **Family-inclusive:** Families receive education, emotional support, and respite care.
- **Whole-person approach:** Physical, emotional and spiritual needs are all addressed.
- **Interdisciplinary team:** Doctors, nurses, social workers, chaplains, aides and volunteers work together.
- **24/7 Support:** We're always here, day or night, for questions, urgent needs or guidance. If your situation requires hands-on care, a nurse can come to your home after hours to provide an in-person visit. Also, our Virtual Care Center, powered by our virtual RNs, is available outside of normal business hours.

Hospice is not about giving up; it's about choosing comfort, peace and support for both the patient and their loved ones.

YOUR CARE, YOUR WAY

Every level of care is designed to keep you comfortable and supported. If your needs change, we adjust quickly because your peace matters most.

QUESTIONS?

Call us anytime. We're here for you.

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LEVELS OF HOSPICE CARE

1. Routine Home Care

Most common level of care

- Care provided wherever you call home
- Regular visits from nurses, aides and the care team
- Focus on symptom management and emotional support

2. Continuous Care

Extra help during a crisis

- Short-term, intensive nursing care at home
- For uncontrolled symptoms like pain or breathing issues
- Goal: stabilize and return to routine care

3. General Inpatient Care

When symptoms need hospital-level support

- Short-term care in a hospice unit, hospital or skilled nursing facility
- 24-hour nursing for complex symptom management, when symptoms are unable to be managed in the home
- Comfort-focused environment to allow stabilization, control of symptoms

4. Respite Care

Support for caregivers

- Up to 5 days in a hospice-approved facility
- Gives family caregivers a break while patient receives full care
- Peace of mind for everyone