



## Compassionate Care

### FOR YOUR ENTIRE FAMILY

Saint Jude Hospice provides the patient and family with opportunities to participate in the decision-making process and focus the care on symptom management, comfort, dignity, and quality of life. A patient, family member, or physician can initiate a hospice referral to move from a treatment plan focused on curing the disease to a plan focused on providing comfort and pain relief.



- : Emotional & Spiritual Support
- : Music & Massage Therapy
- : Short-Term Inpatient Care
- : Homemaker Services
- : Medicare/Medicaid Certified
- : Respite Services
- : Help with Daily Living
- : Medical Care
- : Home Health
- : Continuous Home Care
- : Volunteer Services
- : Bereavement Services

### ■: SERVICES :■

Patient services are provided without regard to race, color, religion, age, gender, sexual orientation, disabilities (mental or physical), communicable disease, national origin, or regardless of ability to pay.

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## **MEDICAL CARE**

Hospice physicians, nurses, physical therapists, occupational therapists and speech therapists focus on the comfort and care of each patient.

## **HOME HEALTH / HOMEMAKER SERVICES**

Home health aides attend to patients needs such as bathing, grooming, and companionship.

## **HELP WITH DAILY LIVING**

Social workers address family life issues, work demands, and financial needs.

## **SHORT-TERM INPATIENT CARE**

Short-term Inpatient Care is available in a participating hospital or nursing facility. Inpatient care may be required for pain control or acute or chronic symptom management, which cannot be provided in other settings.

## **VOLUNTEER SERVICES**

Hospice volunteers are a vital part of the Hospice Care Team. They serve as helping hands, companions and sympathetic

listeners. They assist with patient and family care as well as community outreach, education, office needs, and helping with special events. Hospice offers training for individuals interested in volunteering.

## **RESPITE SERVICES**

Respite may also be furnished to provide short-term relief for the individual's family or other persons caring for the individual.

## **EMOTIONAL AND SPIRITUAL SUPPORT**

Spiritual counselors, chaplains, clergy and hospice volunteers offer understanding and support to patients and their families.

## **CONTINUOUS HOME CARE**

Continuous care may be provided during periods of acute crisis to maintain the patient at home for a minimum of eight hours and up to 24-hours per day until symptoms resolve.

## **MASSAGE THERAPY**

Massage can be an effective therapeutic tool for pain relief & symptom management.

## **questions...**

### **WHO IS ELIGIBLE?**

Persons eligible for hospice include individuals who have a life-limiting illness, have the consent of their family physician, and have decided that comfort care is their wish.

### **WHO CAN BENEFIT FROM HOSPICE CARE?**

Hospice is not just for patients with cancer but any illness which has a limited life expectancy.

### **WHEN IS IT TIME FOR HOSPICE?**

It is never too early to ask about hospice care. Patients and families are eligible when treatments for a cure are no longer successful. We encourage patients and their families to come to us early. With Saint Jude Hospice, there is no need for pain to go unmanaged or for people to struggle without support.

### **WILL PATIENTS HAVE TO CHANGE DOCTORS?**

No, most physicians continue caring for the patients who enter the hospice program. In addition, hospice staff are specialists in pain management and work closely with the patient's physician to determine the plan of care.

### **WHERE IS HOSPICE CARE GIVEN?**

Hospice care is provided wherever the patient calls home, whether it's their own home or nursing home.

### **WHO PAYS FOR HOSPICE CARE?**

Medicare, Medicaid, and many private insurances have a hospice benefit. No one is turned away due to inability to pay.

