

Transitioning from this life should be dignified and comfortable, allowing patients to spend precious time with loved ones in the comfort of their own place of residence. Hospice care aims to treat the symptoms of the disease process, rather than focusing on halting or curing the illness.

Myth: Patient can only receive hospice for 6 months.

Fact: Hospice care is provided as long as the patient continues to meet diagnosis criteria.

Myth: Hospice means giving up hope.

Fact: Hospice care focuses on quality of life and making the most of the journey.

Myth: Hospice is only for cancer patients.

Fact: Hospice care can support patients with many different diagnoses.

Myth: Hospice is a place you go to die.

Fact: Hospice care can be provided at any place a patient calls home.

Myth: All hospices are the same.

Fact: All hospices must follow a baseline requirement, but there are MANY differences in hospice programs and the support that they provide.

Myth: Families must pay for hospice care.

Fact: Hospice care is covered by Medicare, Medicaid, and most private insurances.

Myth: Hospice is just for the patient.

Fact: Hospice provides comfort to patients, as well as support to family and caregivers.

Additional OnCare Hospice Highlights

- Access to 24/7/365 on call Registered Nurse and triage support
- Medications and DME delivered and covered by hospice (related to diagnosis)
- MD and clinical oversight of disease related to diagnosis
- Ability to keep PCP with availability and oversight of hospice medical director when needed
- Ongoing bereavement for family and caregivers
- End of life planning available through support of psychosocial team

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