

# Every moment *matters*

Madison County's only not-for-profit hospice since 1979

#### Discover the comfort of Hospice Family Care

In challenging times, hospice can provide compassionate support and specialized care for patients of all ages and their families. When you don't know who to turn to, here's why you should consider Hospice Family Care:

- Comprehensive comfort: Receiving hospice care doesn't mean you're giving up. At Hospice Family Care, our focus is on enhancing your quality of life and helping you make the most of every moment.
- Personalized health plans: Tailored care plans are designed to meet the unique needs of individuals, providing holistic care that addresses a person's physical, emotional, social and spiritual well-being.
- Expert care: Our skilled, experienced staff works 24/7 to deliver high quality end-of-life care so you or your loved ones can focus on what matters.

### Understanding Hospice

Hospice is a compassionate, patient-centered approach to care and support for people at the end of life and their families. It is care focused on maintaining dignity, increasing quality of life, and providing comfort, including pain and symptom management.

Hospice recognizes that every person's experience will be different and the hospice team creates a plan of care according to the individual needs and wishes of each patient.

Every patient and family that we serve receives a customized, compassionate plan of care. Through a team of physicians, nurses, nursing aides, social workers, chaplains and volunteers, we offer routine home care, general inpatient care, respite care, and continuous care.

### Hospice Family Care provides:

- Physician consultations
- Regular visits by registered nurses certified in hospice care
- Emotional and spiritual support from hospice social workers and chaplains
- Certified hospice Aides trained in personal care for the terminally ill
- Medical equipment, supplies and medications
- Trained Hospice Volunteers
- Specialized care for the unique needs of terminally ill infants and children



Huntsville Hospital's facility dog, Vivian, is available to visit with palliative medicine and hospice patients and their families/loved ones during their stay at Hospice Family Care's Inpatient Facility.

#### Who is hospice care for?

Hospice care is available and appropriate for anyone who has made the decision — along with their families and doctors — to change their goals from curative to comfort.

#### Who pays for hospice?

The Medicare hospice benefit is available to all patients with Medicare part A who have a life expectancy of six months or less if the terminal illness or disease runs its normal course. In addition, our services are covered by most Medicaid and commercial insurance plans with few, if any, out-of-pocket costs.

#### Where can I get hospice care?

Hospice is a flexible service that can be provided in various settings to accommodate individual preferences and needs. Whether in the comfort of one's home, a senior care or skilled nursing center, or the Hospice Family Care Inpatient Facility.

#### What if I need something more?

While most patients prefer to be at home on hospice, there are some situations that may require a higher level of care to manage pain and other symptoms. The Hospice Family Care Inpatient Facility at Redstone Village is available for these patients, often on a short-term basis until their symptoms are under control and they can return home.

# What other resources are available?

- The Caring House a program for children who have experienced loss
- Grief support groups for adults
- Volunteer care team

#### How to contact us:

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