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# HOSPICE vs PALLIATIVE

**PALLIATIVE MEDICINE** is a consultative medical specialty that provides an extra layer of support for anyone living with a serious illness. The goal is to optimizes quality of life, reduce avoidable hospitalizations and empower patients and families as they navigate complex medical conditions. Care is provided by a medical doctor or nurse practitioner.

**PALLIATIVE MEDICINE** is beneficial when you:

- need help managing symptoms such as pain, nausea, shortness of breath or constipation
- want to continue treatments such as chemotherapy, surgery, etc.
- have an illness that may become life-threatening
- have a life expectancy of two years or fewer
- would benefit from education about lifestyle changes and disease progression
- need support with healthcare planning and decision-making

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**HOSPICE CARE** serves the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of terminally ill patients and those they love. The benefits of hospice care are proven by research to support symptom management, pain management, relieve anxiety and improve overall quality of life; in fact, many families say they wish they had received hospice care sooner.

**HOSPICE CARE** is appropriate when you:

- have a terminal illness that is not responding to treatment or you wish to discontinue aggressive treatment
- have a life expectancy of six months or fewer if the disease follows its normal course
- need help managing ongoing symptoms associated with the disease process
- need spiritual, emotional, social or nursing support for yourself or your family
- need assistance completing advanced directives or other important healthcare forms
- desire to have a dignified death where your end-of-life wishes are respected

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