A holistic approach to end-of-life care focused on comfort, hope, dignity, and respect

When is the right time to ask about 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. Many families regret not calling hospice soon enough. There is no need for pain to go unmanaged or for people to struggle without support. Anyone can refer to hospice care; people can even refer themselves. However, a physician must approve the hospice admission.

Please contact us for an evaluation or to learn more about Hospice services:

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Hospice in the nursing home
• Orange City Home Health & Hospice and area nursing homes partner to provide end-of-life care for their residents. Because end-of-life creates unique needs for individuals and their families, this partnership between the two care providers is an opportunity to meet those needs in the best way possible. A joint plan of care will be developed to address the individual end of life needs and wishes of the resident and family.

• Hospice can provide expertise in pain and symptom management, additional emotional support for the resident and family, volunteer and complimentary services, related medical equipment, medications and supplies, as well as bereavement services for family members after the loss of their loved one. All of the hospice services that are available to a person and their family at home are available to those residing in a nursing home.

Paying for hospice care
• Medicare, Medicaid, and most private insurance companies have a hospice benefit.
• If there are questions about financial coverage for hospice, our staff can get the answers.
• We will provide needed hospice services regardless of a person's ability to pay.

For information about Prairie Ridge Care Center or our other senior living options, please visit ocHealthSystem.org

“We are very thankful and grateful for the love and care shown to my parents as well as to all of us. Everyone that assisted my Mom and Dad were very considerate, professional and loving toward them. You also helped in many unseen ways to heal, nurture and give peace to us all.”

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Hospice
A circle of caring

What is Hospice?
• Comfort and support for terminally ill individuals and their families.
• Emphasis is on comfort, not cure.
• Care is focused on dignity, respect and quality of life.
• Opportunity for the individual and family to participate in decision making.
• Provided where ever the person calls home, whether it’s their own home, assisted living facility or a nursing home.
• Support for the family and caregivers.
• Customized care to meet the individuals unique needs and wishes.
• Interdisciplinary approach to providing medical care, symptom management, emotional and spiritual support.
• Complimentary services including massage, pet, and music therapies.
• Coordination of the needed pharmaceuticals, medical equipment, and supplies.
• Bereavement care and counseling to surviving family and friends.

Who is eligible for hospice care?
Hospice services are available to people of all ages and diagnoses who:
• Have a terminal illness and are facing a limited life expectancy.
• Have chosen comfort rather than curative care.

About Orange City Home Health & Hospice
We are a Medicare certified hospice program and provide services within a 30-mile radius of Orange City. We will work with your personal physician and preferred medical facility.

The Hospice interdisciplinary team
Coming together to ensure the best care at the right time
• Medical Director – A physician who acts as a liaison between the personal physician and the Hospice team. Provides consultation for the Hospice team related to end of life care and symptom management.
• Physician – The personal physician continues to supervise care under hospice and works with the hospice team.
• Registered Nurses – Nursing staff that is specially trained in pain management/symptom control. Works closely with the personal physician and medical director. On-call nursing staff is available 24 hours a day. Makes regular home, hospital, or nursing home visits.
• Social Workers – Provide emotional support related to coping with end of life issues. This may include assistance with community resources, counseling to help relieve emotional stressors, assisting with insurance information, and funeral pre-arrangements. Help individuals and families find meaning and fulfillment at the end of life.
• Home Health Aides – Available to help with personal cares including oral hygiene, bathing, light housework, turning and repositioning, and other needs when increased personal care is desired.
• Clinical Pharmacist – Plays an important role on the hospice team consulting for pain and symptom management at the end-of-life.
• Clergy/Chaplain – Spiritual support is often provided by the personal pastor however a hospice chaplain is also available for support.
• Bereavement Counselors – Provide comfort, resources, and guidance to families coping with the loss of a loved one. Helps to understand grief and how to cope with the loss through counseling services, grief support groups, memorial services, or accessing our hospice library of grief resources.
• Respite Services – Provide short term relief to allow family members a break from caregiving.
• Trained Volunteers – Serve as helping hands, companions, sympathetic listeners, and provide support to help improve quality of life in a wide variety of ways.

Music, massage, and pet therapies can lower stress.

Music, massage, & Pet Therapies – shown to help relieve distressing symptoms, lower stress, and boost mental wellness.

Other Therapies – Professionally-guided physical, occupational, and speech therapies are provided as needed. In addition, dietary consultations can be arranged as determined by the individual’s needs.

For more information call
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