**How Do We Help?**

PruittHealth Hospice cares for patients and their loved ones through a uniquely specialized team who work to control pain and other symptoms, as well as provide emotional and spiritual support. This team includes:

**Physicians**
- All medical care is prescribed by the patient's physician and/or hospice medical director

**Registered Nurses**
- Provide pain and symptom management
- Monitor the patient's condition
- Educate the caregiver to empower them in caring for the patient

**Medical Social Workers**
- Ease the stress of emotional and financial concerns
- Provide counseling to both the patients and family
- Assist with referring to other community services

**Chaplains**
- Offer spiritual care in accordance with the wishes of the patient and family

**Bereavement**
- Counseling for individuals and families for 13 months after the death of the patient

**Certified Nursing Assistants**
- Provide assistance with activities of daily living, such as bathing, dressing and feeding

**Volunteers**
- Assist with patient and caregiver support
- Offer companionship

**Other Services Provided Related to the Hospice Diagnosis**
- Medical equipment
- Medical supplies

**Primary Caregiver Support/ Respite Services**
Family members and/or friends who are responsible for providing some level of care for the patient in conjunction with the professional team are termed "caregivers." Should the time come for some relief for the primary caregiver, PruittHealth Hospice can help. We can assist you with your responsibility by placing the patient in a hospital, inpatient unit or nursing home setting for short periods of time.

**Our Goal for Care**
To provide expert and compassionate end-of-life care to patients and families. We improve the quality of life for our patients and their loved ones by reducing their anxiety, pain, and the many burdens that may accompany illness.

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**Who Is Eligible?**

Individuals are eligible for hospice care if:
- They have a life-limiting illness
- They choose the hospice option
- Their illness is appropriate for hospice, which may include, but is not limited to, Cancer; Parkinson's; Alzheimer's; Renal, Heart, Pulmonary, Liver and Neurological Diseases; stroke/CVA; end-stage AIDS.

**Who Pays for Services?**
Hospice service benefits are provided by most insurance companies, Medicare and Medicaid. They are also made available through private funds. We provide these services regardless of the patient's ability to pay.

**Services We Provide:**
- Symptom and pain management
- Comfort care
- Emotional and spiritual counseling
- Patient/family support and education
- Social work services
- 24-hour on-call services
- Bereavement services
- Respite care
- Inpatient care
- Continuous care