

Hospice Care



Lumina Hospice & Palliative Care provides compassion, comfort and support to Mid-Willamette Valley residents facing a serious illness or difficult medical decisions. We help patients live out the rest of their lives on their own terms, among people who care. Founded as Benton Hospice Service in 1980, we are the recognized regional source for the continuum of end-of-life services. We built our reputation on a commitment to promote dignity, respect choices, ease suffering and honor the grieving process.

What is Hospice All About?

Hospice care is a supportive approach to end-of-life care that occurs in the patient's own home or place of residence, whether it is an assisted living environment, a homeless shelter, or an inpatient hospital. Patients are cared for by family and friends or paid caregivers with the assistance of hospice staff and trained volunteers. Medical equipment, supplies and medication related to the terminal illness are all covered within hospice care.

This is a sensitive time for everyone. But to choose hospice does not mean giving up hope. Rather, hospice is about ensuring dignity, respect and control at a time when it means the very most. The primary focus is on providing comfort and quality of life for the patient's remaining days.

Our staff work closely with attending physicians, family, and loved ones to ensure that the patient's needs are being met. While hospice does not provide constant care, our staff is just a phone call away, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Who Is Eligible For Hospice Care?

Hospice is for anyone with any life-limiting illness, including cancer, heart or lung disease, AIDS, Alzheimer's, and other end-stage diseases. Care is available for people of all ages, including infants and children, and for persons of any race or ethnicity. U.S. citizenship is not a requirement, nor is the ability to speak English. A doctor must certify a 6-month prognosis or less if the disease runs its natural course. However, there is not a six-month time limit for receiving hospice care. Medicare, Medicaid and most private insurance covers the cost of hospice for patients. Inability to pay will never prevent a patient from receiving the best care.

What Other Services Do We Offer?

Palliative Care Case Management

An interdisciplinary medical program for patients living with a serious or chronic illness who are not yet ready for hospice

Palliative Care Consults

Clinical guidance for medical providers and patients to assist with symptom management and advance care planning

Transitions

A non-medical program for individuals living with lifelimiting illness

End-of-life Education

Support to the community through training, lectures and presentations

Caregiver Support

For those caring for a family member or friend through a chronic or terminal illness

Grief Support

To anyone in the Mid-Willamette Valley who is impacted by death

About Lumina

Lumina Hospice & Palliative Care is an independent, non-profit community resource providing responsive care for local residents nearing the end of life. Serving the Mid-Willamette Valley since 1980, we ensure in-home comfort, compassion and control for every patient throughout their remaining days.