

## **When should we call Grant County Hospice?**

If you or a loved one have been diagnosed with a life-limiting condition you can call for information or a no-charge consultation. It is never too early to call. We can best help patients and families when there is time to plan.

## **How is Hospice funded?**

Many patients have coverage for hospice through Medicare, Medicaid, or the hospice benefit included in their health plan. Our staff can help determine insurance coverage.

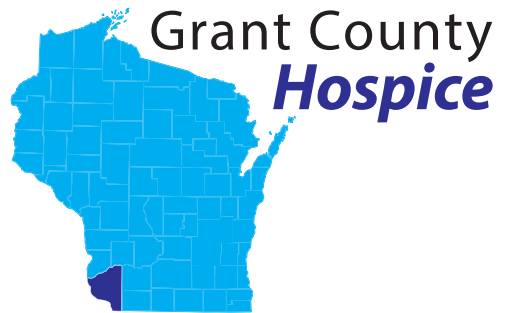
*The Medicare Hospice Benefit includes:*

- Home visits by nurses, home health aides, social workers, and volunteers
- 24-hour access to a nurse for information or support, either over the phone or with a home visit
- Medicines to control pain and symptoms related to the terminal diagnosis (the illness that is the patient's reason for being on hospice)
- Durable equipment, such as wheelchairs, walkers, oxygen and hospital beds
- Ancillary services (therapies and dietary support)
- Bereavement support for the family

***We care for patients at the end of life regardless of their ability to pay through generous donations from local residents, businesses and civic groups.***

*For more information, call:*

**Grant County Health Department  
(608) 723.6416**



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*We are here for you and your family.*



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## **GRANT COUNTY HOSPICE**

We are a nonprofit Medicare-licensed hospice that has served patients at the end of life and their loved ones for over 30 years. Hospice care focuses on medical and personal comfort for people in the last months, weeks or days



of life. Hospice is comfort care that helps patients with physical symptoms like pain and nausea. We also comfort patients, families, and friends by lessening the apprehension around the dying process and offering support.

### **Why choose Hospice Care?**

Patients choose hospice care when it becomes clear that a cure is no longer likely and they want comfort care so they can live as fully as possible until the end of life. Hospice is available for persons with conditions such as cancer as well as other long term chronic illnesses such as heart disease, lung disease and dementia.

### **What if we cannot care for our loved one at home?**

Grant County Hospice has close ties with many assisted living centers and nursing homes in the area. We partner with nurses and other professionals in these facilities, bringing more eyes, hands, and experience to patient and family care.

If a patient receiving hospice at home has symptoms that become severe, we also may coordinate a short stay at an inpatient setting, such as a hospital, to bring symptoms under control.

### **Where is care provided?**

Our staff will make visits and care for patients and families in the comfort of their own homes. This includes private homes, assisted living facilities and nursing homes.

### **What services are provided?**

Grant County Hospice unites your primary physician, nurses, home health aides, massage therapists, social workers, spiritual counselors and trained volunteers into care teams. We work together with patients and families to identify priorities and goals, and bring dignity and well-being to anyone affected by illness and loss.

### **What role do family & friends play?**

Many families and friends care for their loved one at home or elsewhere. We support families and friends with our whole team. Our role is to help patients, families and friends make the most of their time together.

**Your community,  
your hospice.**



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