

# Jansen Hospice and Palliative Care

# What Is Hospice?

- 7. Bereavement Services to counsel families for up to 13 months after the death of a loved one.
- 8. Volunteers trained to visit and provide respite to patients and families (pending COVID restrictions)

# Why Jansen Hospice and Palliative care?

For over thirty years, Jansen Hospice and Palliative Care has provided compassionate care and unparalleled services to patients who wish to live in the comfort of their own home, or skilled nursing facilities, among family and friends, with peace and dignity. In addition to the hospice team, Jansen also provides Complimentary Therapy to our patients. Complimentary Therapy is a special program offered only by Jansen Hospice and Palliative Care. Patients receive massage therapy, music therapy, pet therapy and other services to support compassionate quality end of life care goals. (Pending COVID restrictions)

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### What is hospice?

The Hospice Foundation of America defines hospice as:

- Medical Care to help someone with a life limiting illness live as well as possible for as long as possible, increasing quality of life
- Care that addresses symptom management, coordination of care, communication and decision making, clarification of goals of care, and quality of life
- An interdisciplinary team of professionals who address physical, psychosocial, and spiritual distress focused on both the dying person and their entire family

#### What illnesses qualify for Hospice Care?

Hospice is for patients with a life-limiting illnesses, and a diagnosis of six months or less to live.

Hospice is not just for cancer patients; it is end of life care for patients with any terminal illness like heart failure, COPD, kidney disease, strokes, Alzheimer, Parkinson disease, and more.

#### When is it time for Hospice?

- Life expectancy is 6 months or less, as diagnosed by a physician
- There is a decline in a patient's condition, despite medical treatment (weight loss, mental status decline, inability to perform activities of daily living)





- It is difficult for family and/or caregivers to manage a patient's symptoms at home, resulting in more calls to the doctor or 911
- The patient is ready to live more comfortably and forgo treatments aimed at prolonging life

#### Who Pays for Hospice Care?

Hospice care is provided under Medicare (Medicare part A), Medicaid Hospice Benefit, and most in network private/commercial insurance companies

# What is included in Hospice care? Who is part of the hospice team?

- 1. A medical doctor certified in Hospice and Palliative Care who works with the patient's primary care doctor to manage symptoms
- 2. Registered Nurses (RN) experienced in coordinating plans of care, pain and symptom management, and more
- 3. Certified Home Health Aides (HHA) trained in end-of-life care who assist with personal care needs
- 4. A Certified Chaplain who provides spiritual care for patients and family
- 5. On-Call Services with registered nurses who assist with questions, concerns and provide support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- 6. Medical Social workers who help make sure a patient's end-of-life wishes are met, and provide emotional support to the patient and family