

ADDRESSING THE SPECIAL NEEDS OF VETERANS AT THE END OF LIFE

It may surprise many people to learn that 25 percent of those who die every year in the U.S. are Veterans. To help provide care and support that reflect the important contributions made by these men and women, Orange City Home Health & Hospice is a national partner of We Honor Veterans, a pioneering campaign developed by National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization (NHPCO) in collaboration with the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).



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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.

For more information please contact
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Hospice Professionals on a Mission to Serve



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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.
- Coordination of the needed pharmaceuticals, medical equipment, and supplies.
- Bereavement care and counseling to surviving family and friends.



A SPECIAL SERVICE FOR OUR VETERANS

When the time comes that an illness cannot be cured, hospice and palliative care services are a way to thank America's veterans by providing comfort, compassion, and beneficial services to them and their families.

Orange City Area Home Health & Hospice partners with veterans and their families – in association with the We Honor Veterans program – to offer care and resources.

We Honor Veterans is a program of the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization and the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. Veterans can receive care from both our Hospice team and the VA at the same time. Hospice and VA staff work together to coordinate care.

WHO PAYS FOR VETERAN'S HOSPICE CARE?

Hospice services are covered by the VA, Medicare, Medicaid, or by private insurance. All veterans in the VA are eligible for hospice care paid for by the VA if their treatment goals focus on comfort rather than cure.

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

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VETERAN-TO-VETERAN PROGRAM: *seeking veterans to volunteer with our team*

The veterans and families we serve are cared for by a team of staff and volunteers. Our Veteran-to-Veteran program is a special service pairing veterans who are hospice volunteers with veterans who have served our country and are now in hospice care. Veteran partners can enhance the quality of life for patients and their families through companionship and support.

If you are interested in learning about how you can serve your fellow veterans in hospice care, please call our office. Training is provided.