



Penn Medicine Hospice Inpatient Unit Penn Hospice at Rittenhouse

Most people receive hospice care in their homes, however when symptoms, such as pain, cannot be managed in the home, patients may receive care in our inpatient unit. Located in Philadelphia, our inpatient unit is designed exclusively for acute hospice care and is staffed by a Penn Medicine team trained in end-of-life care. This state-of-the-art facility offers a beautiful, comfortable atmosphere, where patients can spend time with their families while receiving exceptional care.

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"You matter because of who you are."

You matter to the last moment of your life, and we will do all we can, not only to help you die peacefully, but also to live until you die."

– Dame Cicely Saunders
Founder of the modern hospice movement

INNOVATIVE, COMPREHENSIVE, COMPASSIONATE

At Penn Medicine Hospice, our goal is to provide the highest quality of care for people who face life-limiting illness, offering them comfort and dignity at a difficult time. Our experienced staff address all symptoms of a person's condition, with special emphasis on controlling pain and discomfort while acknowledging its emotional, social and spiritual impact on their life.

Penn Medicine Hospice, a not-for-profit organization and part of Penn Medicine at Home, is one of the oldest and largest hospice programs in the region. As part of Penn Medicine, Penn Medicine Hospice offers access to comprehensive, cutting-edge, health care resources and provides high quality hospice services to patients throughout the region.

WHAT IS HOSPICE CARE?

Hospice is a philosophy of care for people with serious and progressive illnesses such as heart disease, lung disease, cancer and Alzheimer's disease. People who choose hospice care decide to focus their treatment on symptom relief and quality of life, rather than curing their illness, and are cared for in a home, hospital, nursing home or inpatient hospice unit.

The goal of hospice care is to enable a person to live an alert, symptom-free life. Hospice providers take care of both patients and their families, who together with a patient's doctor, decide when hospice care should begin.

OUR SERVICES

Services provided through Penn Medicine Hospice include:

- 24/7 On-Call Board Certified Physician
- Symptom Management
- Bereavement & Social Work Support
- Spiritual Support
- 24/7 emergency response
- Respite Care
- Volunteers
- Stress and Anxiety Management
- Music Therapy
- Internal Home Infusion Company
- Specialized Programming Based on Disease State

OUR TEAM

Staff collaborate to provide highly skilled and individualized hospice care. Our team members include:

- **Physicians** experienced in end-of-life care, available for home and facility visits for patient care, consultation and oversight.
- **Nurses** provide direct patient care, illness-related symptom management, education and instruction about at-home care (All patients and families have access to certified hospice and palliative care nurses).
- **Certified home health aides** provide personal care such as bathing, feeding and dressing.
- **Licensed clinical social workers** offer emotional support and counseling, assistance with insurance and financial questions, and assistance with placement issues if a patient requires an alternative caregiving environment.
- **Masters-prepared chaplains** offer spiritual support to patients and families of all faiths and collaborate with a patient's own clergy when requested.
- **Masters-prepared adult and children's bereavement coordinators** provide individual and group therapy, phone support and bereavement services up to one year after the death of a loved one.
- **Specially trained hospice volunteers** offer companionship, comfort and emotional support, as well as assistance with reading and writing letters and running errands.
- **In addition, our partnership with Penn Home Infusion Therapy** allows seamless access to IV therapies required for symptom management.