Hospice is a special kind of support for people with a limited life expectancy and their families.

Hospice patients must be certified by their primary care physician as having a limited life expectancy, and their physician must agree to manage their care. The patient and family must be informed of the patient's prognosis and be willing to assist in developing the patient's plan of care.

The patient must no longer be seeking aggressive treatment such as chemotherapy or radiation. The patient must have a primary caregiver such as a family member or friend who will assist with continuing care and be available 24 hours per day, if needed. The patient must be seeking medical care to provide relief from pain and symptoms instead of a cure.

Referrals to hospice are made by physicians, hospital personnel, patients, family, friends, and clergy. The physician must agree that hospice care is appropriate. An informative visit will be made by a social worker or nurse to explain the hospice concept to the patient and family. The role of the caregiver will be explained in detail and a commitment made. Once a decision is made, the admission process will begin.

# Growing

It is the policy of Henry County Medical Center and its affiliates to treat all patients and not to discriminate with regard to race, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, sexua orientation, gender identity or expression, or disability.

### Hospice Services Provided

- Licensed nurses are on call 24-hours-a-day.
- Social Workers provide counseling for the patient and family members.
- Volunteer support services are available to assist the patient and family as needed to provide support, companionship, and to run errands.
- Bereavement counseling, if needed, is provided up to a year following the patient's death.

# **Office Hours**

Office hours are Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. To provide 24-hour-a-day care, a nurse is on call at all times for emergencies. There is an answering service available after hours, on weekends, and on holidays. Please call 731-642-7600 or 800-352-8569 and give the patient's name and phone number, and the nurse on call will promptly return your call.

We are a home-owned, not-for-profit organization, accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, and are licensed and certified by the state of Tennessee. We have been chosen as the recipient of the Paris Post Intelligencer's Readers Choice Award for Home Health Agency.





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#### **Mission Statement**

The mission of Henry County Medical Center is to provide the highest quality, affordable healthcare services and education to the citizens of Henry County and the adjoining region.

# **Vision Statement**

Henry County Medical Center Home Health and Hospice is a progressive community home care provider serving the health care needs of Henry County and surrounding areas. The program provides skilled nursing, social services, therapy services, home health aides, and related needs of homebound or terminally ill patients on an intermittent basis. It provides affordable, high-quality, professional and personal care that respects the needs and dignity of each person served.

As a department of the hospital, we will strive to maintain the hospital mission and treat all patients equally, regardless of race, creed, color, sex, religion, age, or national origin. This will be done in a cooperative environment, which fosters the wellbeing and excellence of its employees, volunteers, board of trustees, and medical staff.

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# Bridging the Gap from Hospital to Home

At Henry County Medical Center Home Health, we believe that going home after a hospital stay is not always that simple. A patient could require a degree of care that the family may not be equipped to give. Home Health and Hospice is designed to provide the smoothest transition from hospital to home. Appropriate care is adapted to the patient's home environment. The Home Health and Hospice staff provides valuable physical assessment, evaluation, and instruction for the patient and family. The patient's condition is closely monitored with regular reports to his or her physician.

All persons referred to HCMC Home Health are eligible to be considered for treatment, regardless of age, race, sex, or ability to pay. To qualify for services, a person should be homebound, need skilled care in the home, and be under the care of a physician. In order to obtain Home Health service, the patient must first have physician authorization. The HCMC Home Health staff will then work with the physician to develop a treatment plan that is suited to the patient's individual needs.



#### Home Health Services Provided

- Skilled Nursing Care
- IV Therapy
- Chemotherapy
- Physical Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Home Health Aides
- Medical Social Services
- Laboratory Services
- Medical Supplies
- Wound Care
- Patient and Caregiver Teaching
- Injections
- Central Line Maintenance
- Total Parenteral Nutrition
- Disease Management

# Home Health & Hospice Payment Options

There are a variety of payment methods available including: Medicare, TennCare, private insurance companies, and private payment, as well as workman's compensation. Additionally, Home Health takes the responsibility of billing primary insurance companies for the patient. Hospice Services are reimbursed through Medicare, TennCare, and most private insurances. Memorial gifts, individual donations, and fundraising activities will subsidize care that is not reimbursed.