



Locations

Palliative care is delivered in a variety of settings -

- Assisted Living Facilities
- Long Term Care Facilities
- Cancer Centers
- Home

Payment

Most insurance plans, including Medicare and Medicaid, cover all or part of the palliative care consult and treatment but may require prior authorization. Depending upon insurance coverage there may be a co-pay.

Our benefits consultant is available to answer questions regarding insurance coverage and to discuss payment options.

Palliative Care -

Relieves: suffering from a serious illness

Matches: the care the patient receives to their wishes and goals

Prepares: for healthcare decisions whether now or in the future



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What is Palliative Care?

Palliative care is a medical specialty of supportive care for individuals with a serious illness.

The focus of palliative care is to effectively manage acute pain and other symptoms of a serious illness. The goal of palliative care is to provide comfort and improve quality of life.

Palliative care partners with you and your loved ones to educate and ensure current treatment plans align with your goals of care.



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Acute Pain and Symptom Management

We work closely with your physician or specialist to assure that your symptoms are relieved and your acute pain is treated effectively and compassionately.

We make recommendations for treatment of symptoms such as nausea, vomiting, restlessness, constipation, shortness of breath, anxiety, and depression, which can often accompany a serious illness.

Setting Goals

Individuals with a serious illness face difficult and complex choices. Harbor Palliative Care will work with you and your loved ones in a respectful manner to help set goals that are designed to match your treatments in order to achieve your best quality of life.

Advance Care Planning



Advance care planning enables you to express healthcare preferences, designate a patient advocate, and choose or refuse treatment options.

Harbor Palliative Care can assist you in clarifying your wishes and completing your advance directive document.

Harbor Palliative Care Team

The Harbor Palliative Care Team offers an interdisciplinary approach to care.

Our specialty trained team includes a palliative care certified physician, nurse practitioner, social worker and nurses. Other health care professionals may be included according to each patient's need.

Is Palliative Care Right For Me?

Research has shown palliative care benefits a person suffering from pain, stress and symptoms caused or associated with a serious illness. Studies also show palliative care referred early after a serious illness diagnosis gives the greatest benefit. A serious illness may include cancer, advanced respiratory or cardiac disease, advanced dementia, stroke, kidney failure, advanced liver disease, Parkinson's Disease, AIDS, multiple sclerosis, ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease).

Getting Started

A palliative care referral does require a physician's order to be covered by insurance.

Please contact your health care provider or Harbor Palliative Care to assist you in determining program eligibility.