

SUPPORTIVE *Care*



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What Does Supportive Care Provide?

It is a consultative program that provides comfort and compassionate care for persons diagnosed with a chronic or life-threatening illness. Designed to be a support system that helps patients and families every step of the way, Supportive Care puts people in charge of their health care and does not interfere with their current medical care.

How Can We Help?

The Patient

- Help patients live as actively as possible.
- Assist with pain and symptom control.
- Respect patients' goals, preferences and choices.
- Education regarding advance care planning (*i.e. Living Will, Healthcare Power of Attorney*).
- Provide ongoing support throughout the course of illness.
- Promote a holistic approach and provide comprehensive, integrated care – physical, psychological, social and spiritual.
- Provide community resources and ongoing support.

The Family

- Address family and caregiver concerns.
- Promote a holistic approach and provide comprehensive, integrated care-physical, psychological, social and spiritual.
- Education regarding advance care planning (*i.e. living will, healthcare power of attorney*).
- Provide community resources and ongoing support.
- Nurture and support family involvement.

The Physician

- Assist in respecting the patient's goals, preferences and choices.
- Encourage patient, physician and caregiver communication.
- Share patient's pain and symptom concerns.
- Communicate the patient's physical, psychological, social and spiritual needs.
- Facilitate patient and family meetings with physician.
- Help support families with advance care planning.

Who Represents the Supportive Care Team?

- Your Physician
- RN Patient Advocates
- Social Worker
- Chaplains

How do I Contact Supportive Care?

Patients can be referred to the program by calling the Supportive Care Program Coordinator at **330-480-2199**.

Is There a Charge?

No, because Supportive Care is a direct expression of the mission of Humility of Mary Health Partners. The cost is subsidized by Humility of Mary Health Partners and supported through generous donations.