

# Hospice care provides compassionate support for patients with terminal illnesses, focusing on comfort and quality of life.



## THE MOST COMMON DIAGNOSES LEADING PATIENTS TO SEEK HOSPICE CARE INCLUDE:



### Alzheimer's Disease & Other Dementias

These neurodegenerative conditions lead to progressive cognitive decline, affecting memory, thinking, and behavior. As the diseases advance; patients often require comprehensive care to manage symptoms and maintain comfort.



### Liver Disease

Advanced liver conditions, such as cirrhosis, can lead to significant health decline. Hospice care provides support in managing symptoms like pain, fatigue, and fluid accumulation.



### Heart Diseases

Conditions such as congestive heart failure and coronary artery disease can lead to significant physical decline. Hospice care focuses on managing symptoms like shortness of breath, fatigue, and pain associated with advanced heart disease.



### Neurological Diseases

Conditions like Parkinson's disease, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), and multiple sclerosis (MS) involve progressive nervous system deterioration. Hospice care addresses complex symptoms and supports both patients and families.



### Cancer

Despite advancements in treatment, many patients with advanced cancer opt for hospice care when curative measures are no longer effective, prioritizing pain management and quality of life.



### Stroke

Severe or recurrent strokes can result in significant physical and cognitive impairments. Hospice care focuses on providing comfort and assisting with daily activities.



### COPD & Other Lung Diseases

Progressive respiratory diseases lead to breathing difficulties and decreased lung function. Hospice care assists in managing symptoms and providing respiratory support.



### Kidney Disease

End-stage renal disease (ESRD) patients may choose hospice care when dialysis is no longer desired or effective, focusing on comfort and symptom management.



### Sepsis and Other Infections

Severe infections, especially in patients with multiple comorbidities, can lead to life-threatening conditions. Hospice care provides palliative support to manage symptoms and improve quality of life. These diagnoses often lead to patients and their families to consider hospice care, aiming to enhance comfort and dignity during the final stages of life.