

STONERIDGE

HOSPICE

INFORMATION SHEET

Our mission is committed to providing quality care for patients faced with a life limiting illness.

DISCIPLINES

REGISTERED NURSES

- Available 24/7
- Assess physical needs
- Manage end of life symptoms
- Part of interdisciplinary team

ATTENDING PHYSICIAN

- Oversees plan of care
- Provide coverage for medical needs

HOSPICE MEDICAL DIRECTOR

- Consultation and guidance for hospice team
- Involved in certification of hospice eligibility

HOSPICE AIDE

- Assist in activities of daily living, bathing, dressing, skin care and eating
- Oversees patient personal care

MEDICAL SOCIAL WORKER

- Assessment if psychological needs
- Refers to community resources and financial concerns
- Mortuary referrals
- Assists with planning at end of life
- Counseling and emotional support

SPIRITUAL COUNSELOR

- Nondenominational chaplain who specializes in spiritual support
- Offers supportive services at end of life
- Bereavement services for 13 months post death

VOLUNTEERS

- Provide caregiver relief and emotional support
- Visit to read, play cards, open mail, write letters, etc.

HOSPICE BENEFITS UNDER MEDICARE

Hospice is available as a benefit under medicare Part A. Benefits include:

- Durable Medical Equipment
- Supplies
- Medications
- Oxygen
- Pain & Symptom Management
- Transportation

REFERRING TO STONERIDGE HOSPICE

1. Fax a complete copy of the following to 888-408-0608
 - Patient demographics including name, address, phone number, DOB and insurance information
 - Physician orders specifying Stoneridge Hospice to evaluate and treat
 - Following physician name, phone number and fax number or request for hospice medical director
 - History and Physical
2. Once a complete referral is received, we will call to notify you that we received your referral and will be scheduling your patient.

SERVICING PATIENTS VALLEY WIDE

Our staff is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week!
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GENERAL SIGNS OF DECLINE

During patient encounter, please check each observation made by clinician, provider, caregiver or family member.

ACTIVITY/AMBULATION

- Takes longer to get from room to room
- Mainly sitting or lying-in bed
- Requires assistance to walk/transfer
- Requires assistance with ADLs
- Noticeably weaker hand grip
- Greater frequency of naps due to fatigue
- Pain or discomfort during ordinary activities
- Pain requiring increasing dosages of analgesics
- Loss of desire to walk

BREATHING

- Shortness of breath during movement
- Frequently coughing
- Uses oxygen
- Diminishing pulse oxygen level

EVIDENCE OF DISEASE

- History of one or more advanced illnesses
- Recent history of hospitalization or emergency room visits
- Increased number of physician/NP visits

SELF-CARE

- Requires assistance to bathe
- Requires assistance to dress

TOILETING

- Requires assistance
- Has accidents
- Incontinent to bladder
- Incontinent to bowel

INFECTIONS

- Increased number of infections
- Increased dosage of antibiotics
- Wounds/sores not healing or taking longer to heal

INTAKE

- Difficulty swallowing
- Eating reduced amounts
- Taking longer time to eat
- Needing assistance to eat
- Eating less frequently

WEIGHT LOSS

- Decreased bodyweight-today's weight _____
- Decreased arm size-today's MAC _____
- Loose fitting clothes
- Needing smaller sized Brief

OTHER SIGNS

- Systolic blood pressure below 90
- Ascites
- Edema
- Pleural effusion
- Weakness
- Change in level of consciousness
- Decrease in serum albumin
- Nausea/vomiting poorly responsive to treatment
- Patient no longer desires curative treatment
- Presence of advanced directives
- Patient and/or family has asked about hospice
- Recent hospitalizations or emergency room visits

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