

Services & Benefits

Because Quality of Life Matters

THE BENEFITS OF HOSPICE CARE

- ⇒ Relieves pain and suffering
- ⇒ Emphasizes that the patient and family is the unit of care
- ⇒ Offers compassionate care
- ⇒ Respects patient goals and desires and encourages participation in decision making
- ⇒ Addresses physical, emotional, spiritual and social issues with its team of professionals
- ⇒ Builds a network of support to alleviate the burden on the patient and family
- ⇒ Helps patients with activities of daily living
- ⇒ Provides education about the disease and changes which may occur
- ⇒ Teaches the family how best to provide care
- ⇒ Provides bereavement (grief) support for the family
- ⇒ Does whatever necessary to maintain dignity and provide quality of life for patient and family

SUMMARY OF HIGH PEAKS HOSPICE & PALLIATIVE CARE CORE SERVICES

- ⇒ **Medications** - Hospice provides medications for relief of symptoms related to terminal diagnosis;
- ⇒ **Equipment** - Hospice provides all equipment needed to make the patient comfortable such as hospital beds, oxygen, wheel chairs and other necessary medical equipment;
- ⇒ **24/7 Access to Registered Nurses** - Our RN's can be reached any time for consultation or a visit if necessary;
- ⇒ **Emotional Support** - A Social Worker is available for in home counseling with patients and families.
- ⇒ **Bereavement Counseling** - Grief counseling is provided prior to and for 13 months following the passing of loved one. Support and education groups are available for adults and children;
- ⇒ **Spiritual and Pastoral Care** - Hospice Chaplains offer spiritual and pastoral care to those who desire it;
- ⇒ **Volunteers** - Specially trained hospice volunteers are available to provide respite to the caregiver, for emotional support, to read to the patient or just to lend an ear;
- ⇒ **Licensed Practical Nurses & Home Health Aides** - LPNs and HHAs provide personal care to patients to make them more comfortable and ease the burden on the caregiver. This can include bathing, changing clothes, and even doing laundry!

