

What You Should Know About *Hospice Care*

WHAT IS HOSPICE?

Hospice care allows Clients to live their final months to the fullest—with dignity and choice, providing assistance when needs turn from cure to comfort. Enrolling in hospice care sooner helps families and Clients manage pain and symptoms, reduce caregiver stress, plan advance directives and allows for quality time together during life's last chapters.

Hospice Care:

- Provides support for those in the last phases of a life-limiting illness
- Focuses on quality of life for individuals, caregivers and family
- Assists to honor and carry out end-of-life wishes, from a special meal or visit to bucket list activities
- Supports caregivers and family through grief

WHERE IS SUPPORT PROVIDED?

In the comfort and familiarity of wherever home may be, or in Lincoln at Tabitha's Journey House, a residential-style home dedicated to hospice care.

HOW DO YOU PAY FOR CARE?

Hospice care is covered by Medicare, Veterans' Administration (VA) Benefits, Medicaid and private insurance.

Thanks to generous donations, regardless of ability to pay for services—no one is turned away.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Anyone choosing to focus on comfort and quality of life who is faced with a life-limiting illness is eligible for hospice care.

WHEN IS IT TIME FOR HOSPICE?

Here are some signs that may indicate it is time for hospice care:

☐ Increased assistance needed with activities of daily living, including walking, dressing and bathing

☐ Reduced desire to eat, leading to weight loss

☐ Multiple hospitalizations or ER visits

☐ Recurring infections

☐ Functional decline, including inability to speak or communicate clearly

☐ Increased pain or difficulty breathing

☐ Progression of disease, including poor response to treatment

☐ Decision to focus on quality of life instead of aggressive treatments



Caring about
what makes
Dad, *Dad*.



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The Tabitha Hospice *Difference*

We cannot express the deep gratitude we have for Tabitha's care of our mom, Carol, the last days of her life. Tabitha's Hospice Team was the most compassionate, kind, gentle, understanding and CARING people we have known. Although we had just met, they treated her and our family like they'd known us forever.

— GRATEFUL MILLER FAMILY

MOST EXPERIENCED HOSPICE CARE PROVIDER IN NEBRASKA

Faith-based Nebraska nonprofit Tabitha is a pioneer in hospice care. As the longest-serving hospice program in the state, Tabitha has been providing end-of-life care since 1979.

EXCEPTIONAL, COMPASSIONATE CARE

Tabitha Hospice puts people first with purpose in mind, serving for all the right reasons. Our mission—to serve all members of the community regardless of their ability to pay—is rooted in all we do. We're here for you whenever, wherever and however you need.

AROUND-THE-CLOCK SUPPORT

With dedicated, on-call night and weekend caregivers, you have access to nurses who will come to you if the need arises, whenever the need arises.

VOLUNTEERS INVESTED IN THE COMMUNITY

Local Tabitha Volunteers work side-by-side with the hospice team. They are rooted in the communities in which they serve—providing assistance through companionship, listening, respite care and help with everyday tasks.

BEREAVEMENT TEAM GUIDES YOU THROUGH YOUR GRIEF JOURNEY

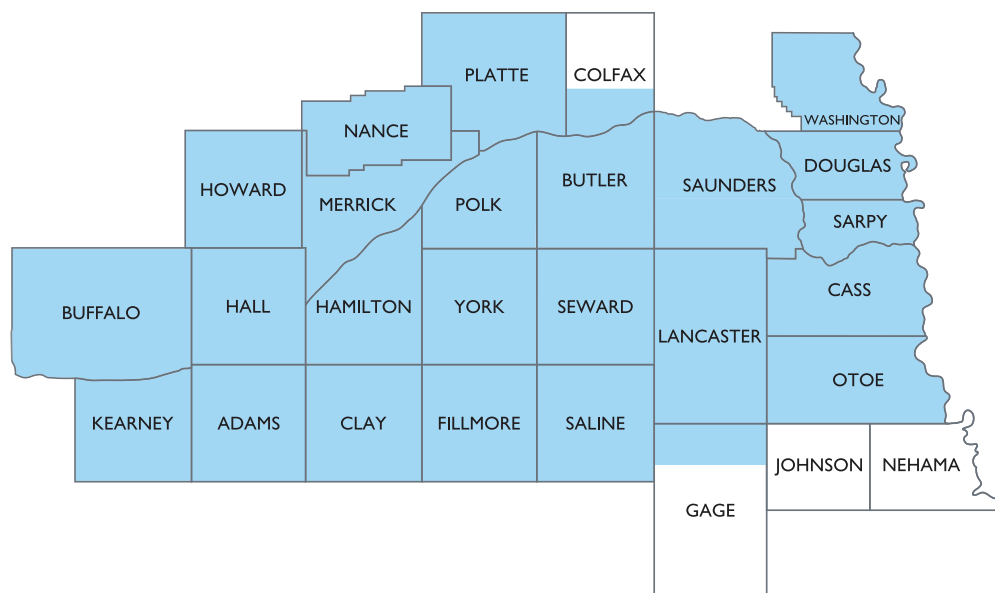
We understand loss affects each person differently. Our team of experts comfort and support you throughout the journey with personalized education, counseling and literature.

Where
we
Serve

Lincoln | Syracuse Area
402.486.8506

York | Crete | Seward Area
402.362.7739

Grand Island | Kearney Area
308.389.6002



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