HOSPICECARE OF THE PIEDMONT PROGRAMS

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HOSPICE HOME CARE

- Terminal illness with life expectancy < 6 months if disease runs expected course
- · Certified by two physicians (attending and hospice medical director)
- Resident of Abbeville, Greenwood, Laurens, McCormick, Saluda, Edgefield and Newberry bordering areas
- Funded by Medicare, Medicaid and most private insurance without co-pay
- Physician billing not affected except consulting physician bills hospice
- Serve patients in Wesley Commons, Magnolia Manor, Abbeville Nursing Home and Assisted Living facilities

HOSPICE HOUSE

HospiceCare of the Piedmont provides inpatient hospice care at the Hospice House located at, 408 West Alexander Avenue in Greenwood, SC. All care is offered based on bed availability and the medical needs of the patient.

Inpatient Hospice Levels of Care

The Hospice House offers three levels of care. All eligible for care must meet medical criteria for hospice care. The levels of inpatient care are:

General Inpatient (GIP): Those eligible require a high level of skilled care which cannot be provided in the home setting and usually includes medical management of pain or other associated symptoms. This level of care is short term, usually days, and is determined by the Medical Director based on the condition of the patient. All care required is usually covered by Medicare and other third party payers.

Respite: All hospice patients are eligible for up to seven days of inpatient care to allow the caregiver relief from the 24 hour care giving duties. Patients may be eligible for future respite care after 30 days. This level of care is covered by Medicare and Medicaid.

Transitional Care: The patient's condition is more stable and patient does not meet eligibility for GIP care but are unable to be cared for in the home. This level of care includes personal and nursing care which is custodial and is usually provided less than 3 months.

This level of care includes two components of care: routine hospice care and room and board. The routine hospice (medications, supplies, etc) is covered by third party payers as if the patient were a home. The room and board services are not covered by third party payers and are billed to the patient. For patients unable to pay the full room and board rate, financial assistance may be available.

PALLIATIVE MEDICINE CONSULT SERVICE AT SELF REGIONAL HEALTHCARE

- Consult service requiring physician orders
- Extra layer of support in patients with complex serious illness; terminal illness not requirement
- Palliative Care team made up of Dr. Todd; Heather O-del, RN, coordinator; Christie Brewster, APRN-BC, nurse practitioner; Cindy Thorpe, hospital chaplain; and Elaine Davis, MSW, social worker
- Attending physician bills for diagnosis and PC physician bills for symptom management

GREIF SUPPORT & COUNSELING

As every individual is unique, so are the needs of a grieving person. HospiceCare of the Piedmont offers a wide variety of services to meet these various needs.

HOSPICECARE OF THE PIEDMONT IS YOUR LOCAL NON-PROFIT COMMUNITY HOSPICE.