



## Hospice El Paso

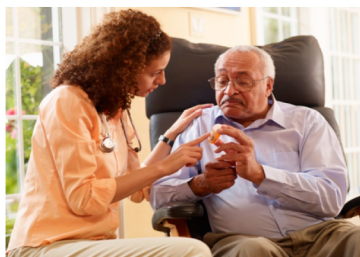
Hospice El Paso, a not-for-profit organization, exists for the sole purpose of providing expert comfort care and bereavement support to persons affected by a life-limiting illness. HOEP was founded 37 years ago by a group of El Pasoans for the people of El Paso. With a common spirit of compassion, choice, respect and cooperation, we fulfill our commitment of promoting human dignity and comfort to eligible residents of El Paso County. We emphasize a life affirming approach to hospice care.

### What is Hospice Care?

Hospice care is highly specialized care for a patient who has been diagnosed with a life-limiting illness. These services are provided by a team of health care professionals who work in conjunction with the family to maximize comfort for a terminally ill person by reducing pain and addressing physical, psychological, social and spiritual needs.

### When is Hospice Care needed?

- Increased or uncontrolled pain
- Shortness of breath (especially with O2 dependency)
- Uncontrolled nausea/vomiting
- Alterations in mental status (i.e. agitation)
- Frequent hospitalizations
- Continued weight loss
- Repeat or multiple infections
- Difficulty swallowing
- Progressive decline despite curative treatments



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### *When to Refer?*

- Physician establishes terminal diagnosis
- Curative services are no longer an option
- Prognosis is six months or less
- Family expresses an interest in HOEP hospice
- Radiation or chemotherapy are no longer options

*Because You have the  
Right to Choose!...*

### *Referral Process*

1. Referral/call made to Hospice El Paso at **532-5699** (*ask for Admissions*)
2. Admissions Counselor educates patient/family
3. Physicians order
4. Consents signed
5. Admissions Nurse evaluates/admits patient
6. Case turned over to Case Manager
7. Care provided by Interdisciplinary Team: **RN, Social Worker, Chaplain, Volunteer Bereavement Counselor**



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