

What is “Palliative Care”?

Palliation can be defined as:

***Easing,
Lessening, or
Soothing***

the effects of an advanced illness
or disease.



Hospice of Orleans offers a Palliative Care program.

We partner with the individual’s physician to alleviate symptoms, provide psychosocial and spiritual support, health education, and assist with advance care planning.

Please refer to the chart here for information on how this new program differs from the other programs we offer.

If you or someone you love would benefit from any of our programs, or would like more information, please call the office at:

585-589-0809

Palliative Care concentrates on relieving symptoms but not curing the disease.

Palliative Care focuses on comfort and quality of life.

Palliative Care can be provided at the same time a person is seeking treatment for their advanced illness.

Palliative Care is very valuable when individuals are experiencing many symptoms during the treatment phase of their illness and wish to explore and plan for options as their illness progresses.

Palliative Care offers expert consultation to provide symptom management and emotional support. Visits by a social worker provide guidance and access to community services.

*nurse visits * emotional support * spiritual care
symptom management * comfort & quality of life*

Hospice OF ORLEANS, INC.	Hospice Program	Palliative Care Program	Transitions Program
Criteria	Serious illness – not seeking aggressive treatment	Serious illness	Serious illness
Registered nurse visits	Weekly	Monthly	–
Social work visits	As needed	Monthly visits/calls	Phone calls
Spiritual care	Yes (if desired)	Yes (if desired)	Yes (if desired)
Aide service	Yes	No	No
Respite volunteers	Yes	Yes	Yes
Provide medication & equip.	Yes	No	No
Advance care planning	Yes	Yes	Yes
Symptom management	Yes	Yes	No
24/7 Phone access to RN	Yes	Yes	No