Resources

Local

UNC Hospice
www.unchealthcare.org/site/hospice
(919) 542-5545

UNC Chaplaincy office
www.unchpastoralcare.org/
(919) 966-4021

UNC Cancer Resource Room
www.unclineberger.org
(919) 843-0680

Project Compassion
www.projectcompassion.org
(919) 402-1844

UNC Hospitals Bereavement Support Services
www.unchpastoralcare.org/bereavement.html
(919) 966-4021

National

Center to Advance Palliative Care (CAPC)
www.CAPC.org

Get Palliative Care
www.getpalliativecare.org

National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization (NHPCO)
www.NHPCO.org

Caring Connections
www.caringinfo.org

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Where can you reach us?

- Adults in UNC Hospitals or Clinics **call 919-843-4096**
- Adults in UNC Cancer Clinics **call 919-966-1500**
- Parents of children in NC Children's Hospital **call 919-966-1055**

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'Although the world is full of suffering, it is also full of overcoming it.'
Helen Keller 1903

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Learn more about Palliative Care

What is Palliative Care?

Palliative Care enhances physical comfort, emotional and spiritual well-being, and quality of life for patients with serious illness, and for their loved ones.

How can Palliative Care help?

Our Palliative Care team includes doctors, nurses, social workers, pharmacists and chaplains offer —

- Treatment if you have symptoms such as pain, shortness of breath, nausea, anxiety or fatigue
- Support if you feel emotional or spiritual distress
- Help if you need to make difficult treatment decisions, to ensure medical care matches your goals and values
- Information and guidance if you need supportive services to help after leaving the hospital

Serious illness can be overwhelming. The UNC Palliative Care Program offers care to help you through a difficult time.

We need your help to ensure Palliative Care works for patients and families

The mission of the UNC Palliative Care Program is compassionate high quality care for patients and families facing serious illness. If you think this mission is important, and would like to learn more -

- Visit our website: www.med.unc.edu/pcare
- Make a donation: http://giving.unc.edu/gift/medf
- Write to us - Share you thoughts!
  UNC Palliative Care
  725 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
  Office 323
  Chapel Hill, NC 27599-7590

How does the Palliative Care team work with my doctors?

The Palliative Care team doesn't take over — we are an added layer of support and coordination offered to people facing the challenges of serious illness. Our team will work with your doctors to coordinate care.

Is Palliative Care like Hospice?

No. Though Palliative Care and Hospice teams help with comfort and quality of life — they are different.

Palliative Care is in hospitals and clinics; Hospice teams usually visit patients at or near home.

Palliative Care can be combined with treatment that might cure or reduce the effects of the primary illness; Hospice is usually available after those treatments end.

How is Palliative Care paid for?

Most insurance companies, including Medicare and Medicaid, cover Palliative Care. Our team sees all patients in need, even those without insurance.