

How concurrent care can support your child

Pediatric palliative and hospice care is a lifeline for children facing serious illnesses, offering age-appropriate symptom management, medical care, and emotional support to improve their quality of life. What sets pediatric hospice apart is its flexibility. Children can continue receiving curative treatments alongside palliative care (called concurrent care), ensuring they have access to every avenue of support when it matters most.

Here's what you need to know:

ELIGIBILITY

- It's covered by insurance with no added costs.
- Concurrent care is available for children under 21 who are eligible for Medicaid or CHIP. It's covered by insurance, and it doesn't cost you anything extra.

CONTINUED TREATMENT

- You don't have to choose between hope and comfort.
- Concurrent care means you don't have to choose between trying to prolong life and making your child comfortable. You can have both. It's not an either/or decision.

CARE TEAM

- You keep your full medical team.
- We collaborate with and act as an extension of your child's current care team. Our pediatric-trained hospice experts help with pain, sleep, nausea, and anxiety— anything that affects day-to-day quality of life.

QUALITY OF LIFE

- Hospice care doesn't mean "giving up."
- Hospice in pediatrics is about helping your child live as fully and comfortably as possible. Some children stay in hospice care for many months or even years.

CARE SETTING

- Care happens where you feel most comfortable.
- We can support you at home, in the hospital, or in another setting you're comfortable with. We come to you.

FAMILY FOCUSED

- We provide support for the whole family.
- Hospice and palliative care teams support not just your child but also you, their siblings and any caregivers, offering counseling, spiritual support and time for self-care.

SYMPTOM MANAGEMENT

- We can improve comfort and reduce hospitalization.
- We specialize in managing complex symptoms so your child can be more comfortable and spend less time in the hospital or emergency room. We're also available 24/7/365 for added peace of mind.

TIMELY INTERVENTION

- Early support is better support.
- You don't have to wait for things to get worse. The earlier we bring in supportive care, the more we can help your family navigate choices and reduce stress.

ONGOING SUPPORT

- We're here to walk this path together.

No matter what decisions you make, we are with you. Concurrent care gives you more support, more guidance and more peace of mind during an incredibly difficult time.