

The Pediatric Team works in concert with your child's primary care physician and specialists to relieve symptoms and manage pain. Through education and support programs, parents are given the tools to confidently care for their child at home.

#### **Our Mission**

To enhance the quality of life for those nearing the end of life's journey and for those who grieve.

#### **Our Vision**

The Elizabeth Hospice aspires to a world in which every life ends with compassion, dignity and peace.

As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, The Elizabeth Hospice relies on charitable contributions to ensure that all individuals impacted by illness, grief and loss receive the care they need, regardless of their ability to pay. Donations can be made at **elizabethhospice.org/donate**.



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# Pediatric and Perinatal Program

Serving San Diego County and Southwest Riverside County

## **Pediatric Hospice Care**

Care is available for any child diagnosed with a life-limiting illness. The diagnoses for pediatric hospice care include: cancer, heart condition, lung disease, neurological disorder, premature birth, and more. Pediatric hospice care can begin as soon as a diagnosis is made and can be provided throughout treatment until the final moments of life.

### **Pediatric Palliative Care**

Pediatric palliative care is for children and young adults with a terminal condition who have a longer life expectancy and do not require a higher level of care such as hospice. With a focus on enhancing the quality of life for the patient, this total approach to care includes medical, emotional and spiritual support. We provide the family with an extra layer of support by collaborating with the child's primary care physician and guiding the family through their healthcare choices.



## Services Provided

- Expert pain management
- Relief from symptoms
- On-call support, 24 hours a day,
  7 days a week
- Spiritual and emotional support
- Grief and bereavement support
- Assistance with community resources

We know there is no better place for you and your child than to be at home, surrounded by the people and things your child loves.

We will partner with your child's school to keep life as normal as possible there, too. If a hospital visit becomes necessary, we will stay involved to ensure continuity of care for you and your family.

Admission is based on clinical eligibility. Hospice care is an elected benefit under most insurance plans including most HMOs, PPOs, Medicare and Medi-Cal. If you do not have insurance, our social workers will help you and your family identify other funding options.

## Perinatal Hospice Care

Perinatal hospice care is for patients who choose to continue their pregnancies after receiving a prenatal diagnosis that their baby has a life-limiting condition and may die before or shortly after birth. While we do not provide medical management for the mother, we work in concert with your obstetrician or perinatologist during this difficult time. The Elizabeth Hospice offers a comprehensive program of care which includes birth planning, emotional support and bereavement support for the family before and after the birth, and traditional hospice care for the infant at home after birth. On-call support is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Perinatal hospice care is appropriate for a wide range of life-limiting conditions, including: anencephaly, severe heart defects, congenital abnormalities, birth traumas, and other disorders.

We are here to help any time of every day.

Call **833.349.2056** (toll free)