

We Lead with Love

Since 1888, Stillwater Hospice (formerly Visiting Nurse) has served families with a full suite of compassion services—from hospice and palliative care, to chronic disease management and grief support. And while our services have evolved and grown in our 130-plus years, our driving purpose never has: to deliver the most compassionate care to those we serve. From our family to yours, in everything we do, we **Lead with Love**.

Stillwater Hospice is a community-based, not-for-profit organization supported by the Stillwater Foundation. We rely upon donations from people like you to help fulfill our mission, and we are so grateful for your support.

Learn more about Stillwater Foundation on our website.

“Stillwater Hospice’s team approach is seamless.”

– FAMILY MEMBER

Stillwater Hospice provides compassion, comfort and guidance through life’s journey.

Stillwater HOSPICE

Main Location

5910 Homestead Road
Fort Wayne, IN 46814

Marion

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Marion, IN 46953

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Berne, IN 46711

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THE PEGGY F. MURPHY

Community Grief Center

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Located on the Stillwater Hospice campus

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Palliative Care



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What is Palliative Medicine?

Palliative care is patient- and family-centered care, provided by physicians and nurse practitioners. It addresses the physical, emotional and social needs of those facing serious and chronic illnesses. The goal is to improve quality of life for patients and families. It is appropriate at any age and at any stage in a serious illness, and it can be provided along with curative treatment.

BENEFITS OF REFERRAL:

- The earlier the patient and family are seen, the sooner our palliative care team can begin to provide additional support, manage symptoms and work toward goals.
- Goals of care conversations can help patients and families in the next steps in their journey.
- Collaboration between the referring physician and Stillwater Hospice's team helps develop a cohesive treatment plan.
- Quality of life is improved and emotional distress is reduced with the involvement of Stillwater Hospice providers.

WHEN IS THE RIGHT TIME TO REFER A PATIENT?

- Patient sees three or more specialists
- Undesired weight loss
- Fatigue
- Declining function, including increased falls and/or declining ability to complete day-to-day tasks
- Oxygen dependency
- Discontinuation of dialysis
- More than two hospitalizations for the same condition in past year
- Patient or family requests palliative consult

COMMON DIAGNOSES

- Cancer
- Congestive Heart Failure (CHF)
- Cirrhosis
- Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)
- Renal Disease
- Dementia
- HIV/AIDS
- Pulmonary Fibrosis
- Stroke
- Degenerative Nervous System Diseases including:
 - Huntington's Disease
 - Multiple Sclerosis
 - Parkinson's Disease
 - Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)



“Everyone was so compassionate. It’s hard to put into words— that’s just how they are.”

– FAMILY MEMBER

FAMILY SUPPORT

Discussing all care options—including palliative and hospice care—is appropriate at any stage of a serious illness. Discussions with our palliative care team can help guide patients, their physicians and their families in making the best decisions about care.

Our experienced and compassionate team is ready to walk beside you in this journey.