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## Palliative Care Program, Improving Quality of Life With Serious Illness (Doris A. Howell Consult Service)

Like palliative care, hospice provides comprehensive comfort care as well as support for the family, but, in hospice, attempts to cure the person's illness are stopped. What can palliative care do? Discussing the goals of care is also an important component of palliative care.

### Palliative Care Definition

Private health insurance might pay for some services. Palliative care can be helpful at any stage of illness and is best provided soon after a person is diagnosed.

### What Are Palliative Care and Hospice Care?

It's important for a patient to discuss hospice care options with their doctor. Palliative care specialists also provide caregiver support, facilitate communication among members of the health care team, and help with discussions focusing on goals of care for the patient. Overview of palliative care and hospice services.

### What Are Palliative Care and Hospice Care?

The palliative care specialists may offer guidance or connect you with community resources.

### Palliative Care

Research shows that palliative care can benefit a patient's health and well-being, and may help to prolong life.

### Palliative Care

Palliative care services in the community can provide additional support for you and your family. Then speak to your doctor, and ask for it. Howell, who passed away in 2018 at age 95, was proud to see the palliative care program thrive and serve people throughout UC San Diego Health.



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