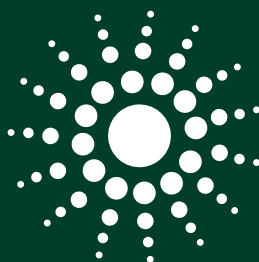


We believe:

- No one should live in pain.
- No one should live in fear.
- No one should die feeling alone.
- Everyone deserves to be a *partner* in his or her care, not just a patient.
- Children deserve to have their grief honored and their lives celebrated.
- We are changing the way people face living, dying and death for the better.



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Our Comprehensive Approach

For the child who is ill

We are passionate experts at relieving pain and improving quality of life. We relieve physical symptoms immediately and then see to the emotional and spiritual comfort of both child and family.

For the child who is grieving

When a child loses a loved one, the way his or her grief is supported can make all the difference in how life unfolds within the family. We offer experienced counselors who provide guidance, comfort and a variety of therapies according to the age and special needs of each child.

For the unborn child and family

For those families facing the tragedy of a newborn with a limited life expectancy, our unique Perinatal Program offers comfort, guidance and resources from diagnosis through delivery and beyond.

Special features of the Children's Program

Our long experience in pediatric palliative care means that our staff has developed its own expert doctors, nurses and caregivers in this challenging line of work. It takes the utmost compassion and dedication to serve on this team.

Of everything we do at San Diego Hospice and The Institute for Palliative Medicine,

the work we do with children can be the most difficult. And also the most inspiring.

Nothing breaks our hearts as much as a child who is suffering.

It is why we do whatever it takes to ease their pain and comfort their grief.

It is why we find ourselves so deeply moved not only by the relief we can bring to children and their families, but also by our ability to give them back days full of living and love.

We are unique among hospices in San Diego—perhaps because it is so challenging to offer such a comprehensive program created specifically for children.

But we cannot imagine San Diego Hospice without it.



Kim and her son Gavin.

Continuity of care is ensured by close coordination with current healthcare providers and schools.

Care is provided wherever it is best for the patient. Our flexibility allows us to provide all services in the home or in a home-like setting like the Inpatient Care Center.

Counseling is provided to both individuals and families, with special guidance for social, medical, spiritual and financial decision-making.

Answers to your questions

Who pays for these services?

Medi-Cal, private insurance companies and self-pay. We have financial advocates available to assist those without insurance or with limited financial resources.

Who can make a referral to the Children's Program?

Anyone—although most referrals do come from healthcare professionals. To start the process, please call us at **1-866-688-1600**. We can schedule a free informational visit to help you determine if the Children's Program will meet your needs.



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