

Payment For SVNA Hospice

SVNA Hospice is covered by Medicare, Blue Cross/Blue Shield and most private insurers. Contributions from private donors help to defray the cost of care for those in need who are uninsured or underinsured.

How To Contact Us

Please call SVNA Hospice at 860-435-0816, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.



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Goals of Hospice Care

- To help patients live the life they choose during their final stage of life.
- To provide excellent volunteer, medical and nursing care focused on controlling pain and other symptoms by every means available.
- To provide emotional and spiritual support to patients and those who love and care for them.
- To help with the financial needs related to hospice care that may arise during the final stages of life.

Hospice Care

Salisbury Visiting Nurse Association



The Salisbury Visiting Nurse Association does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, handicap or age in access to treatment or in employment.

Salisbury Visiting Nurse Association (SVNA) is the nursing agency that the Northwest Corner of Connecticut has trusted for more than 100 years.

- Salisbury
- Lakeville
- Taconic
- Sharon
- Canaan
- East Canaan
- Norfolk
- Falls Village
- Cornwall
- West Cornwall
- Cornwall Bridge
- Goshen

Hospice is a philosophy that views death as a natural part of life and is committed to the simple belief that each of us has the right to die pain-free and with dignity.

The concern of SVNA Hospice is the quality of life. What matters are the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of the person at the end of life and providing the assistance that the family needs to take care of their loved one at home.

Hospice offers palliative care (comfort care) rather than curative treatment for individuals who are diagnosed with a life expectancy of six months or less. Palliative care includes symptom and pain control to enable the patient to live as fully and as comfortably as possible. It neither prolongs life nor hastens death.

SVNA Hospice Is Team Care

- SVNA Hospice treats the person, not the disease, and considers the **entire family**, not just the patient.
- SVNA Hospice is all about choice: **the patient's right to choose hospice care** and the family's right to select the hospice services it will use during the illness and bereavement process.
- SVNA Hospice creates an **interdisciplinary team** and an individual plan of care with the patient and family outlining the medical and supportive services needed.
- SVNA Hospice and the patient's **personal physician** work in concert with the hospice team of nurses, home health aides, social workers, clergy, bereavement counselors, and trained volunteers.
- SVNA Hospice makes regular visits and care is available to our patients and their families **24 hours a day, 7 days a week**.
- SVNA Hospice care is **provided where the patient resides**, which can include home, residential care, assisted living facilities and nursing homes. SVNA Hospice care can even extend to those who are in the hospital.
- SVNA Hospice assists family members and friends by providing **whatever services are needed most**, be it nursing care, personal care, such as assistance with bathing or dressing, volunteers, or counseling.

- SVNA Hospice makes provision for **equipment** such as oxygen, hospital beds, wheelchairs, walkers, and medical supplies.
- SVNA Hospice offers a **dedicated group of trained volunteers** who will visit with the patient and family, run errands, or sit with the patient so that caregivers can have time for themselves.

Don't Wait To Call

- The earlier SVNA Hospice is called, the more we can do to make the patient's final stage of life as comfortable and satisfying as possible.
- SVNA Hospice is on call 24 hours a day. If you or someone you care about is terminally ill, call SVNA Hospice today. Referrals typically come from family, friends, clergy, physicians, nurses, hospitals, long-term care facilities and patients themselves.
- SVNA Hospice offers bereavement support to family and friends following a patient's death to listen, comfort and console and offers referrals, literature, and support groups for help in coping with the death of a loved one.

Other Services

- Volunteer Training
- Bereavement Support Group
- Community Education