



“Only the best
for those who
entrust themselves
to our care.”

- Catherine McAuley

**Counties served by
Mercy Hospice Fort Smith:**

- Sebastian
- Crawford
- Franklin
- Logan
- Scott

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Mercy Hospice



Your life is our life's work.

When is hospice appropriate?

Terminal illness does not mean “giving up.” Hospice brings a new kind of hope - the hope for dignity and comfort. When a terminal illness has been diagnosed (life expectancy less than six months), and cure-oriented treatment is no longer being pursued, hospice is an option. Hospice is appropriate when quality of life is your priority.

Mercy Hospice is able to deliver care in the areas we serve. Through our family of dedicated health care professionals, paraprofessionals, support staff and volunteers, we provide expert and compassionate home care services.

Diagnoses commonly associated with hospice:

- HIV/AIDS
- Alzheimer’s disease
- Cancer
- Cardiac disease
- Liver or renal disease
- Neurological disease
- Pulmonary disease
- Stroke

Mercy Hospice services

Hospice treats the person, not the disease. The importance of emotional support is recognized, along with pain and symptom management. Mercy Hospice works closely with you and your family to develop a plan of care suited to your needs.

Although we are only a phone call away, 24 hours a day, we help you maintain your independence. Mercy Hospice offers the following services:

- Assistance with prescription drugs and biologicals
- Bereavement support
- Medical supplies and equipment
- MercySecure
- Nursing
- Nutritional counseling
- Personal care services
- Respite care
- Specialized therapies for consultation (occupational, physical and speech)
- Spiritual counseling
- Social services
- Volunteer services

How can we begin hospice?

If you or someone you know is considering hospice, talk with your doctor or call Mercy Hospice.

Cost and insurance coverage

Hospice is fully covered by Medicare, Medicaid and most private health insurance plans. Most plans cover nursing, medications, supplies and equipment related to the hospice diagnosis. Mercy Hospice staff will assist patients and their families in identifying maximum benefits from their insurance resources. For those with no resources, hospice staff will help identify other options.