

# Why Choose Old Colony Hospice?

- Old Colony Hospice is the **most experienced** hospice in southeastern MA; serving patients since 1979.
- All of our Nurses, Hospice Aides and Social Workers** have **specialized training** in end of life care. **Many** have also achieved **advanced** hospice and palliative care certification.
- We are an **independent, free standing, not for profit** organization. Old Colony Hospice is not owned by or part of any hospital, home care agency, or management firm and all funding goes directly to patient care and programs.
- Old Colony Hospice has the **Community Health Accreditation Program (CHAP) seal of approval**. This means that we **exceed** the standards set by Medicare.
- We strive to give our patients more time with their Primary Nurses. We do this by **keeping caseloads lower** than most other organizations, and our **low staff turnover** assures consistent care for all of our patients.
- Our **"Forget Me Not" Program** provides hospice care with specific interventions for our patients suffering from Dementia.
- We help our patients stay in the comfort of their homes and **avoid unnecessary hospitalization**.
- Old Colony Hospice works with **Medicare, Medicaid, Blue Cross Blue Shield, Tufts Health Plan, Harvard Pilgrim and many other insurance carriers** to ensure patients receive their benefits.

Serving your community since 1979



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| Abington       | Hanson     | Plainville     |
| Avon           | Hingham    | Quincy         |
| Braintree      | Holbrook   | Randolph       |
| Bridgewater    | Hull       | Raynham        |
| Brockton       | Hyde Park  | Rockland       |
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| Cohasset       | Lakeville  | Sharon         |
| Dedham         | Mansfield  | Stoughton      |
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| Duxbury        | Middleboro | Walpole        |
| Easton         | Milton     | W. Bridgewater |
| E. Bridgewater | Norfolk    | Westwood       |
| Foxboro        | Norton     | Weymouth       |
| Franklin       | Norwell    | Whitman        |
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*Medicare Certified ~ CHAP Accredited  
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# Old Colony Hospice & Palliative Care



*When you want the best for your loved one...*

*Be sure to ask for us by name!*

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## What is hospice care?

The goal of hospice care is to help people with a life limiting illness live well by maximizing quality of life and reducing pain, anxiety and other symptoms. We provide a **team approach** to care to help our patients and families focus on life so that each day may be spent with dignity, surrounded by family and friends.

Our team provides comprehensive care designed to meet the needs of our patients and their loved ones. We provide expert pain and symptom management so that our patients can live comfortably wherever they call home. We also provide support for loved ones so that they can relax and spend quality time with the patient.

Hospice care is designed for the last six months of life. Old Colony Hospice provides expert care, compassion and much needed help to patients and families during this very difficult time. We are truly experts in end of life care.



## The Old Colony Hospice Team – We can help in **MANY** ways

Our team works closely with your primary physician and our **Medical Director** is available to visit you in your home.

**Nurses** are specially trained in pain management and symptom control. They work with patients and families to identify needs, arrange for services, supplies and medications, and coordinate care with the primary physician. **They are available 24 hours a day.**

**Social Workers** help patients and their loved ones with identifying community resources, future plans and resolution of daily problems and issues.

**Hospice Aides** help the patient with personal care activities, as well as light housework and meal preparation. All aides are Certified Home Health Aides, many with additional hospice certification.

**Spiritual Counselors** provide support in a manner which respects and honors your wishes and religious/spiritual traditions.

**Bereavement Counselors** offer support to grieving families and friends through one-on-one counseling, group meetings and seasonal workshops.

**Trained Volunteers** make friendly visits, help with shopping and errands, and provide respite periods for the caregiver. Some of our volunteers offer unique services including *Complementary Therapies* like Reiki, massage, and pet therapy. We are proud to be the first hospice in the state to have established a **Veteran Volunteer Program**, which is nationally recognized. Our *Veteran Volunteers* are available for our patients who served in the armed forces. We also have *Vigil, Rosary* and *Bereavement Volunteers*.



**Medications** for pain and other symptoms will be delivered directly to your home by our pharmacy. Any **Equipment** needed such as a hospital bed, oxygen or a wheelchair will also be delivered right to your home.

**Old Colony Hospice staff is available whenever you need us ~ anytime ~ night or day.**