

PALLIATIVE CARE FOR DEMENTIA

People with dementia who are not yet eligible for hospice services may enroll in the **Palliative Care for Dementia** program, which is funded through private insurance, payment from the patient/family and by grants. Services include:

• Home visits from dementia educators.

• 24/7 phone access to a nurse or social worker.

• Home consultations with a physician specialist.

• Respite time for family caregivers provided at home or at Gardiner Home.

• Assistance with help locating supportive living arrangements for a loved one.



DEMENTIA HOSPICE CARE

The goal is to help people with late-stage dementia live in the best quality of life possible.

Family caregivers are supported by the hospice team, including a doctor, nurse practitioner, nurse, nurse's aide, social worker, chaplain and volunteer. Care is provided where the person lives—at home, in a group respite living home, or a skilled nursing facility. **24/7/365** available through a visit or phone with a nurse, never an answering service. Care is covered by Medicare and most private insurance plans.



GARDINER HOME

Gardiner Home is a hospice and palliative care home in Phoenix that specializes in caring for people with dementia. Short stays of one to several days may be covered by Medicare for caregiver respite or symptom management. For longer stays, patients and families pay privately.

CARE FOR THE CAREGIVER

Our staff and volunteers offer emotional support and education to family caregivers.

Social workers help with living wills, planning ahead and community resources. Chaplains offer spiritual comfort through prayer, conversation, meditation and music. Other forms of support:

- Respite Care for dementia patients to give family caregivers some time to themselves.
- Support Groups offer a safe place to share stories with other caregivers.
- Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction training—a six-week course—helps caregivers focus on the present moment and better care for themselves.



“You matter because you are you.”

Dame Cicely Saunders, founder of the modern hospice movement.

Hospice of the Valley's dementia team focuses on more than clinical care—finding ways to anticipate and meet emotional needs and create meaningful connections when words are no longer possible. Family caregivers are supported as they learn techniques to soothe and comfort using effective language, guiding touch, music, massage and aromatherapy. **We're here for you.**

Learn more about us.

Call (602) 636-6363

or email DementiaCare@hov.org.

Making *moments* matter.

Compassion, comfort and dignity.
That's what Hospice of the Valley
offers people with dementia.

Now the fourth-leading cause
of death in Arizona, Alzheimer's disease
and related dementias impact the physical,
mental and emotional health of patients
and family caregivers. We offer
support to improve quality of life and
help people living with dementia stay
in their homes or place of residence
throughout the long course of this disease.

Our dementia program and its staff
have received national and international
recognition for innovative and compassionate
care in caring for individuals with dementia.

***Our goal is to make patients
feel happy and safe.***



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Support for all stages

