

Not Quite Ready for Hospice?

Call Visiting Nurse Association to see if you are eligible for our Advanced Illness Management Program

VNA's Advanced Illness Management Program (AIM) focuses on better quality of life if you are suffering from serious, chronic illnesses.

Our AIM team will work closely with you and your family to reach your goals of care.

Our physicians and nurse practitioners come to you with a team of social workers, spiritual counselors, and volunteers who are ready to step in to assist you or your loved one.

VNA works with your Primary Care Physician (PCP). The PCP remains at the center of directing your medical care and will be kept informed of your ongoing condition.



FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH SERIOUS, CHRONIC ILLNESSES, CALL VNA.

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When is the right time to choose Advanced Illness Management?

These questions will help you decide:

- 1 Do health problems limit the ability to leave the home?
- 2 Is there a serious ongoing illness such as lung or heart problems, dementia or cancer causing suffering?
- 3 Has there been a recent hospitalization or emergency room visit?
- 4 65 or over, disabled, and on traditional Medicare?

Palliative Care vs. Hospice Care

PALLIATIVE CARE

- Ongoing medical care for anyone at any age with a serious illness
- Can be provided along with curative treatment
- Team of doctors, nurse practitioners, volunteers, social workers, and spiritual counselors work with the primary care physician to provide an extra level of care

HOSPICE CARE

- Specialized care for terminally ill patients of any age
- Patients are no longer receiving curative treatments
- Team of doctors, nurses, aides, volunteers, social workers, and spiritual counselors work with primary care physician to provide an extra level of care

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