

Horizon Hospice, founded in 1978, was the first hospice in Chicago. Horizon Hospice is a non-profit agency, licensed in Illinois, and certified by Medicare and Medicaid.

The Horizon Hospice Concept of Care... promotes meaningful living for people with a life expectancy of about six months. Hospice neither hastens nor postpones death. The goal of hospice care is to provide for each person's physical, emotional and spiritual well-being so that he or she can experience the highest quality of life possible, free from unnecessary pain, treatment or isolation.

Chicago House has been providing a full range of supportive housing and case management services for men and women living with HIV disease since 1985. The agency currently offers three levels of care--independent, supervised, and 24-hour care--at three neighborhood sites in Chicago. The largest and most experienced program of its type in the Midwest, Chicago House has served over 265 people, and operates in conformance with Illinois licensing regulations. Its 24-hour care site in Edgewater is the site of the hospice program.

For information about the Horizon Hospice program at Chicago House, about volunteering, or about making a charitable donation, please contact:

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CHICAGO HOUSE
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HORIZON HOSPICE

is pleased to join

CHICAGO HOUSE

in offering a new program of hospice care for people living with HIV disease, and their families or caregivers.

SERVICES AVAILABLE
AT CHICAGO HOUSE'S 24-HOUR CARE RESIDENCE
IN EDGEWATER

Hospice care at Chicago House is provided by an on-site team comprised of: a physician, nurses, counselors, volunteers, residence managers, and case manager.

The hospice team will help each client develop a plan of care that best suits his/her needs and help carry it out with the least amount of emotional stress.

The hospice team maintains regular communication with the client's personal physician, who continues to direct the medical care.



24-hour nursing care by experts in palliative care (pain and symptom management).

consultation and coordination of care with each client's primary physician

emotional support and spiritual counseling by a social worker and chaplain

practical support and companionship from specially trained volunteers

bereavement support for family or caregivers

assistance with activities of daily living (personal hygiene, feeding, etc.) as needed

delivery of medical supplies, equipment and medications

three prepared meals daily; snacks and drinks

laundry services/housekeeping services

private, furnished bedroom equipped with telephone