



HORIZON HOSPICE

In cooperation with St. Joseph Hospital

2800 N. Sheridan Rd.
Chicago, Ill. 60657

Family Handbook

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HORIZON HOSPICE began in my livingroom in 1978 with the help of a clergyman, a physician, and an attorney. We never imagined that starting an organization would entail so much work . . . or be so gratifying.

We are constantly amazed by the ingenuity of our families, the dedication of our volunteers and staff, and the generosity of those who have contributed funds to our work.

We hope this Family Handbook will be helpful to you because we know that caring for a very ill person can be difficult, but we at HORIZON HOSPICE, hope you, too, will experience some very special rewards.

*Sincerely,
Ada Addington
President*



HORIZON HOSPICE serves patients and their families in a geographic area surrounded by the Evanston/Chicago border (N), Lake Michigan (E), Roosevelt Road (1200S), and Cicero Avenue (4800W).

The care-givers at **HORIZON HOSPICE** are Dr. Michael Preodor, Medical Director, Elizabeth Deyermond, R.N. Patient Care Coordinator, Bonnie Turner, R.N., and two volunteers assigned to each family.

Most of our patients have cancer. They have been treated by surgery, radiation, and/or chemotherapy; and have been sent home from the hospital believing that curative measures are of secondary importance to pain and symptom management.

Our Hospice families express the desire for additional support in caring for the sick person at home or in the hospital.

Our patients' physicians are often eager to have Dr. Preodor's visits supplement the care they are able to give. Dr. Preodor takes responsibility for staying in contact with these "primary" physicians.

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HORIZON HOSPICE'S program is designed to help both the patient and his/her family.

You CAN expect:

Visits and telephone support from Dr. Preodor, Elizabeth Deyermond, R.N., and Bonnie Turner, R.N. to monitor pain and symptom medication.

Two volunteers who:

- Are available by phone on a 24-hour basis
- Visit 2 to 3 hours each week at home or in the hospital
- Answer questions about homecare
- Run simple errands
- Help arrange for hospital equipment
- Stay with the patients while the care-givers go out
- Listen to and share frustrations of care-giving and help problem-solve when asked
- Help family and patient anticipate what might happen as the illness progresses

Please do NOT expect us to:

Provide nursing care

Be available for extended periods of time

INPATIENT SERVICES

Although the HORIZON HOSPICE program is designed to help patients stay at home if possible, the need for hospitalization or nursing home care may arise. In those cases HORIZON HOSPICE will:

- Provide a coordinated program with inpatient services at St. Joseph Hospital
- Support the patient's/family's decision to return to a previously visited hospital
- Support the patient/family as an appropriate nursing home is selected

BEREAVEMENT

HORIZON HOSPICE volunteers will be available to help the family for at least 12 months following the death of the family member. They are knowledgeable about the difficulties of grieving, and will offer phone support, home visits, and resources for counseling if families request it.



DR. MICHAEL PREODOR



BONNIE TURNER, R.N.

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PHONE NUMBERS

HORIZON HOSPICE

871-3658

DR. PREODOR

267-9600

VOLUNTEERS

Name _____ Ph _____

Name _____ Ph _____

Primary
Physician _____ Ph _____

Ambulance _____ Ph _____

Funeral
Director _____ Ph _____

Others _____

PERHAPS YOU CAN HELP US

Trained volunteers provide most of the home-support at HORIZON HOSPICE. Their generous donation of time and skill enables us to keep our budget small.

It costs approximately \$175,000 annually to provide our program.

This money comes from:

Memorials and Contributions
from families

Funeral Gifts

Wills and Bequests

Chicago Corporations and
Foundations

St. Joseph Hospital

Fund-raising Events

Medicare or Insurance
Reimbursements for doctor's
home-visits

Our services are offered free-of-charge, but donations mean a great deal to us and enable us to help other families.

All donors are acknowledged.

All donations are tax-deductible.

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