

WHEN SHOULD YOU CALL HOSPICE?

Hospice of Michigan nurses are available to answer your questions 24 hrs. a day, 7 days a week. Don't hesitate to call us at (888) 247-5701.

We are here for you! For more than 35 years we have been your community-based, not-for-profit hospice.

If you know of someone who is experiencing any of the following, Hospice of Michigan may be able to help.

- Shortness of breath at rest or oxygen dependent
- Decreased appetite with or without weight loss, more than 10% over 6 months or less
- O Increased levels of pain
- Nausea and vomiting with inability to keep food down
- \bigcirc Incontinence
- Unable to feed or dress self
- O Inability to ambulate without assistance
- Assistance with personal care needs
- Inability to communicate intelligibly
- ◯ Lack of response to treatment
- O Repeated trips to the hospital
- \bigcirc Loved one or family desires only comfort care
- Frequent or prolonged use of antibiotics
- Reoccurring fever after use of antibiotics
- Difficult wound healing or pressure sores
- Physician states there is no further treatment
- Retaining fluid
- Escalating emotional or spiritual distress of resident and family
- \bigcirc Loved one states they are preparing to die

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