

Quick facts about our life-enhancing care



The Denver Hospice is the region's leading, largest and most trusted not-for-profit provider of life-enhancing hospice and palliative care. We offer more expertise, more resources and a more complete continuum of compassionate care to patients facing life-limiting illnesses and end-of-life transition.

Our history

In 1978, our founders, Carolyn Jaffe, RN and Peter Van Arsdale, PhD, recognized the need for comprehensive, expert and collaborative care for those facing aging, serious illness and grief. They assisted us in securing initial funding and laying the ground work for us to become what we are today — a nationally-recognized, best-practice model. Our personalized care supports mind, body and spirit, giving our patients and their families control over their lives with dignity, joy and unparalleled experience and support.

Who we serve

We serve more than 4,000 hospice and 1,200 palliative care patients and their families every year throughout nine Denver counties. Our interdisciplinary team of experts provide care in our patients' homes, our state-of-the-art inpatient care center, retirement communities, skilled nursing homes and other locations where our skills are needed.

Our mission

Our mission is to encircle those facing advanced illness with unprecedented levels of comfort, compassion and expertise.

Our values

Together, these principles help create a common culture and guide us in making the best decisions.

- Assume positive Intent
- Respect
- Safety
- Choice
- Compassion
- Efficiency

Our beliefs

We are driven by the belief that palliative and hospice care is not about losing life, but adding to it.

- We believe no matter where you are in life's journey, you deserve to get the most out of every day.
- We believe you should have more opportunities to create memories and moments of joy.
- We believe in less pain and more quality of life.
- We believe your wishes should be heard and respected.
- We are here to give our patients and their families more. It's not just our job, it's our calling. And we wouldn't have it any other way.

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provider of
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10 Top Facts

1. We are the oldest, largest and most trusted provider of hospice care in the region, celebrating our 40th anniversary in 2018 with a proven track record of leading the nation in innovative hospice and palliative care.
2. We are a national hospice leader in reducing re-hospitalizations. Most of our patients report comfort within 48 hours of being in our care. Ninety-four percent of families served at our inpatient care center are happy with their experience. Our palliative care program consistently earns five stars for patient care, the highest rating possible on our patient satisfaction survey.
3. We have more range and scope of resources than any other organization, including more people across all areas of expertise. We are who the medical community turns to with their most acute and difficult cases.
4. Our breadth and depth of services means our patients have more options and more control about how they want to manage their illness and their day-to-day lives.
5. Our care is centered on giving more, not taking away. Our full continuum of care adds meaning, memories and experiences to every day for our patients and their families.
6. We frame all decisions, strategies, personnel, programs and community outreach with the single focus on what is best for patients and families.
7. We are innovative about creating programs/services to meet needs in new ways, including working with the community to build our inpatient care center, creating a family and child grief support program and more.
8. Our mission-driven commitment translates into more time, attention and experts dedicated to every person who needs our services, wherever and whenever they need us.
9. We are an industry voice – setting the bar to the highest standards of care, navigating changes and being proactive and prepared for the future.
10. We are committed to deliver the absolute best care possible, no matter what it takes. We are here because we want to be.

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