Some palliative care treatments and medications are covered under Medicare Part B, some Medicaid Plans, and many private insurance plans.

Hospice is paid for through the Medicare Hospice Benefit Part A, most Medicaid Hospice Benefits, and most private insurers.

Please check with your plan’s administrator or customer service line to determine if these benefits are covered in full or in-part and to determine if you may have out-of-pocket deductibles, co-payments or a limit on maximum days.

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Palliative Care is a specialized treatment option that offers advanced pain and symptom management.

Get relief from the most difficult pain and symptoms

Capital Caring provides these services via our Palliative Care @ Home program, outpatient clinics, or hospital settings.

The goal of palliative care
We provide care to improve the quality of a patient’s life by providing pain relief, clinical assessment, symptom management, and identifying additional resources to provide enhanced support to patients and their families.

Palliative care works best when it is used early in the course of treatment.

Advanced care for the chronically ill
Capital Caring helps people who are chronically ill manage pain and other troublesome symptoms. We also offer emotional support to patients and their families along with a variety of other support services that enable the patient to be as independent and active as possible.

With all the advances in diagnosis and treatment, people with serious, chronic illness are living longer than ever. But that does not mean they have to suffer, or give up activities that provide enjoyment and meaning in their lives.

Our treatments can help you feel better, so you and your family can do more of the things you enjoy, and spend less time counting the minutes, wishing you felt better.

Palliative care may be ideal for patients with chronic, progressive illnesses, such as:
- Heart disease
- Lung disease
- Kidney disease
- ALS
- Dementias
- Cancer

What palliative care services does Capital Caring provide?
We assist patients who are dealing with chronic illness. We also support their loved ones, by:
- EVALUATING the patient’s pain and other symptoms and by creating treatment plans appropriate to his or her specific situation;
- HELPING families set clear goals for treatment and supporting them through difficult medical decisions;
- IDENTIFYING available support services in the community;
- FACILITATING coordination of care among physicians, nurses, counselors, and other health care providers;

Who can be helped by Capital Caring?
Our services are available to anyone who suffers with:
- CHRONIC, PROGRESSIVE ILLNESS – for example, cancer, congestive heart failure, dementia, emphysema or other diseases and conditions;
- SEVERE SYMPTOMS associated with the illness, such as pain, nausea, fatigue, shortness-of-breath, or weakness.

Why Choose Capital Caring?
With the largest number of physicians and nurses who are board certified in hospice and palliative medicine, Capital Caring is the region’s leading expert at helping people with chronic illness have more comfort, with less pain, and enjoy a higher quality of life under challenging health conditions.

How is palliative care different from hospice care?
Palliative care and hospice care are different in important ways. Any patient with chronic illness, regardless of prognosis, is eligible for palliative care.

By comparison, hospice is end-of-life care with a time-limit of six months or less of life. Hospice is a full-service holistic program that includes palliative care but also includes many other 24/7 support services such as social work, spiritual counseling, bereavement support, Telecaring calls to the patient and support system each day, volunteers assisting in the home, along with nursing and medical management near the end of life.

If you are not sure whether you need hospice or palliative care, please call us and we will do an assessment of which service you need. Capital Caring is here to help you, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

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Are you or a loved one suffering from distressing pain, discomfort, or uncomfortable symptoms that are affecting your quality of life? Capital Caring’s palliative care services can help.

We work directly with you and your doctors to help relieve discomfort no matter what’s causing it – side effects from treatments, the disease itself, even the emotional stress of dealing with progressive illness.

Our treatments can help you feel better, so you and your family can do more of the things you enjoy, and spend less time counting the minutes, wishing you felt better.

Palliative care may be ideal for patients with chronic, progressive illnesses.

There is no time limit for how long palliative care can be provided to a patient, as long as their clinician or insurance company believes it is necessary.

Palliative care is not a substitute for hospice care. It can, however, significantly enhance the lives of patients who are seriously ill and do not need hospice guidelines.