

~ Living with Dementia ~

Dementia-Centered Palliative Care

*A new program under the auspices of
Southern Tier Hospice and Palliative Care*



The goal of *Living with Dementia* is to provide comprehensive palliative care and support services to families coping with advanced dementia.

- Comprehensive hospice care specialized to the needs of advanced dementia patients delivered in the patients' residences, whether that is their home or a care facility
 - 24-hour on-call system that brings skilled care to the patient in times of crises or change, providing alternative to unwanted hospital admissions
 - Continuation of Primary Physician control over patient's care plan, as well as Medical Specialist consultation as needed
 - Care provided by a interdisciplinary team trained in the best practices for dementia care throughout the disease process, including end of life
 - Intensive caregiver education available for dementia management and specialized support for the family, including bereavement coverage
 - Full coverage of short-term hospital stays when necessary for symptom control
 - Full coverage of medications and equipment related to needs of dementia care and palliation
 - Provision of complimentary therapies, such as pet therapy, music therapy, massage, structured activities and others
 - Up to an hour a day of LPN skilled care, including personal care, ambulation, assistance with feeding, massage, and more
 - Full coordination of care plan with residential care facilities
 - Open to all residents of Chemung, Steuben and Schuyler Counties
 - DNR *not* a requirement
 - **Eligibility: Dementia patients exhibiting ONE OR MORE: incontinence, recurrent infections, loss of ability to speak, assistance with ADLs, weight loss, co-morbidities**
 - Coverage: 100% coverage through Medicare, Medicaid and most private insurances; sliding fee scale for uninsured; does not impact facility reimbursement
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The *Living with Dementia* Team is available to provide in-services for your facility or practice, or to meet one-on-one to find how we can best meet your needs.

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