



HEALTH STARTS AT HOME

VON GREY-BRUCE Supportive Care ~ Hospice Visiting Program

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is the active, compassionate care of individuals of all ages facing progressive, life limiting or incurable illness, with focus on quality of life.

The aim of the program is to provide comfort and dignity to individuals and their families by providing volunteers trained in dealing with illness, death and bereavement.

There is no fee for services and visits will be provided in the home, in Grey-Bruce hospitals and in long-term care and retirement homes.



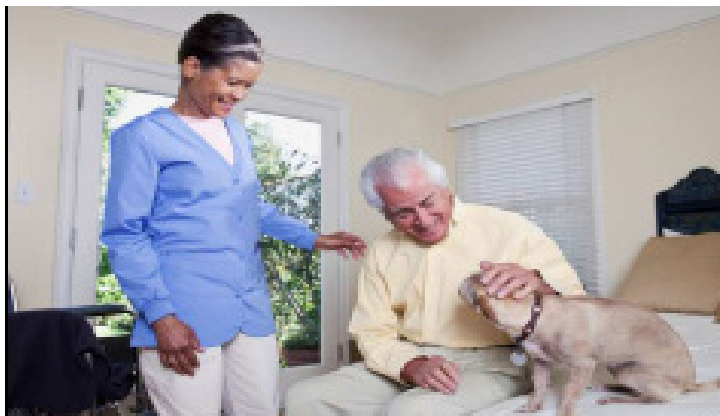
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Program Services:

- Supportive care for people with life-limiting illness, from time of diagnosis.
- Helping clients to live with dignity and in comfort, surrounded by a circle of support.
- Compassionate guidance and a friendly listener for family and friends caring for loved ones during times of crisis and grief.
- Services may be provided as the needs of the individual and their families change.

Program Referrals:

- Referrals to the program can be made by anyone (client, family, friend, health care professional).
- The Program Coordinator will arrange an interview and match a volunteer to the services required.
- The day and time of visiting is flexible according to the needs of the individual, family and/or caregiver, and the availability of volunteers.



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DO THE BEST WORK OF YOUR LIFE

Make a difference in your community by visiting individuals who are facing a progressive, life-limiting illness and/or those who are bereaved.

Our volunteers are sensitive, warm and caring individuals who are deeply concerned about others. Volunteers have good communication skills; are dependable and trustworthy; and are respectful of the privacy, confidentiality and feelings of others.

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Hospice Visiting Volunteers:

- Encourage client interests and activities, such as planned activities, walks, playing cards, music and hobbies
- Offer support, friendship, listening and sharing through regularly scheduled visits
- Provide assistance with shopping, writing letters, booking appointments, etc.
- Provides respite for caregivers
- Offer bereavement support through one-to-one contact with clients

Educated & Caring:

- Volunteers are special people willing to help regularly or give just a few hours each week.
- Volunteers come from a variety of backgrounds and are screened and trained to provide quality, confidential care.
- Thirty hours of specialized education is the minimum training required to become a VON Supportive Care ~ Hospice Visiting volunteer.
- Volunteers are provided with comprehensive orientation, ongoing educational opportunities and exceptional volunteer recognition.

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