

When to call Hospice?

Once it has been determined that a patient in your hospital needs ventilator support but will not get it because:

- there are insufficient numbers of ventilators to meet the needs
and/or
- A decision has been made to withdraw a patient's ventilator support
and/or
- The prognosis for the patient is clearly short-term

CALL YOUR PALLIATIVE CARE SERVICE
If YOU HAVE NO PALLIATIVE CARE SERVICE

CALL HOSPICE

to access
hospice services
in New York State

Contact: www.hpcanys.org or www.getpalliativecare.org

(Note: if you wish to confer with a hospital-based palliative care consultation service in your area, you may also contact:

(www.getpalliativecare.org or www.hpcanys.org)

The Hospice will

- Provide the patient and family with information about hospice services, benefits and eligibility requirements
- Offer the patient/family a choice about care options with specific reference to hospice and palliative care services
- Provide symptom management, psycho-social and spiritual support if hospice is elected as the care manager. These services can be provided in the hospital, in a nursing home and/or in the home
- Facilitate discharge to a community-based setting if the patient condition allows a transfer
- Facilitate transition to an alternative care provider if the patient condition improves and hospice is no longer appropriate