



Hospice
of Southwest Ohio
A Servant Leadership Organization



Renal Disease

What is it?

Renal disease, also known as kidney failure or chronic kidney disease, often has no symptoms and is diagnosed by a blood test. It's the result of kidneys failing, meaning they stop working well enough for survival without dialysis or a kidney transplant.

How can palliative care help?

A person receiving palliative care can continue receiving treatment for renal disease.

Palliative care can help patients:

- Prepare for physical changes that may occur
- Cope with mental and emotional issues that may arise
- **Transition from treatment of the disease (palliative care) to control of the disease (hospice care)**

How can hospice care help?

A patient with renal disease may be able to receive hospice care if they refuse dialysis or a kidney transplant. Their eligibility also increases if they are over 75 or suffer from:

- COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease)
- Advanced heart or liver disease
- Sepsis (bacteria has infected the bloodstream)
- Malnutrition
- Gastrointestinal bleeding



Hospice Southwest of Ohio is

here for you

Hospice of Southwest Ohio is made up of a multidisciplinary team of healthcare professionals and volunteers who work together to focus on pain relief and psychosocial support that increases one's quality of life during their last months.

Hospice care is available wherever a patient is, whether that's at home, in a healthcare center or at our Care Center in Madeira, Ohio. Our services are available in Clermont, Butler, Warren and Hamilton counties in Cincinnati. **Call us 24 hours a day, seven days a week with any questions or concerns at 513.770.0820.**