

Volunteers/Internships



*I was sick and you
looked after me*



We Care Hospice

Volunteering Frequently Asked Questions

How long is the training?

Volunteers are required to attend Hospice Volunteer training. Training opportunities are scheduled within the community, or are done on an individual basis. To set up a training time, or for more information on volunteer training, contact Chad Frye at 228-474-2030.

What is covered in the training?

During the training the volunteer will receive instruction in the roles of the hospice team members. Team members include the patient's physician, hospice physician, nurse, social worker, spiritual care counselor, home health aide, grief support counselor, along with the trained volunteers. The role of the volunteer will be discussed and explained so that each individual can make their own decision about what kind of volunteer work they would like to provide.

Do I have to go through the whole training if I am not interested in working directly with clients, but would rather donate my time to administrative work?

People interested in doing only administrative volunteering can complete training needed for clerical volunteering, but we would suggest they go through the entire training for knowledge and if they ever decide to do patient care, they are trained.

Other than direct client care how else may I be of service as a Hospice volunteer?

We Care Hospice has a need for volunteers to work in our office, help with fundraisers, assist with our marketing and mailing efforts, assist with grief support groups, do public speaking, or to offer special skills that may benefit our organization and clients, such as computer skills, sewing, home improvements or hair styling.

How much volunteer time will I be obligated to give after training?

There are no set schedules at We Care Hospice regarding volunteer hours. It all depends on the needs of our teams and the availability of the volunteer. Volunteer services are flexible enough to work around most schedules. You decide on the hours you are willing and able to give. Two to four hours a week is encouraged.

Do I ever have to take care of a client's physical needs?

Our volunteers tell us what they are willing to do or not do when it comes to client care. We want our volunteers to be comfortable and confident when it comes to the interaction and care of our clients. Most, if not all, physical care needs of a patient will be handled by our C.N.A.'s, L.P.N.'s and R.N.'s. However, situations may arise where your skills may be needed.

Will I ever be expected to be present when a client dies?

Being present at the death of a client is up to the volunteer and the patient/family. Hospice offers to be present at the time of death if the family requests this support. Volunteers who sit with a client during the death process are there strictly by choice.

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What other ways can I help We Care Hospice?