



TRU HOSPICE CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE (COPD) PROGRAM

TRU Community Care offers expertise in meeting the needs of patients with end-stage COPD. The only one of its kind in our area, our specialized hospice program can help people with maximally treated chronic obstructive pulmonary disease improve their quality of life while reducing hospital stays and emergency room visits.

When those with COPD no longer desire hospitalization, the TRU Hospice COPD program enables them and their family members to manage the symptoms of their disease in the familiar comfort of their own home.

The goals of the program are to:

- Improve quality of life for people with COPD and their families
- Help those with COPD to better cope with their illness
- Boost family caregiver confidence and education
- Minimize episodes of crisis and fear
- Reduce hospital days and emergency room visits
- Assist those with COPD in accomplishing goals

TRU meets these goals through:

- Regularly scheduled home visits by a hospice care team (including an RN, LPN, CNA, social worker, chaplain and volunteers) with specialized training in COPD evaluation and aggressive symptom management
- A COPD-specific medication kit for the home
- Specialized protocols and treatment pathways designed for end-stage COPD
- Around-the-clock availability of TRU Hospice staff
- Comprehensive patient education materials specifically designed for COPD patients
- Program oversight by TRU physicians



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