

HOSPICE

Tailoring Hospice Care

Nevada Hospice Care stands out in the hospice industry with an uncompromising commitment to provide patients with end-of-life care as unique as their DNA.



When her father-in-law's health started failing, Jennifer Farmanali found that hospitals addressed immediate physical symptoms but gave stock answers on the bigger picture of his particular health story and needs.

She knew that his eventual decline was inevitable, but how that journey progressed was not. These experiences prompted Jennifer and her husband, Tony, to become healthcare providers themselves, first starting Nevada Memory Care and Assisted Living Centers, then Nevada Hospice Care.



Jennifer Farmanali

Their experiences also informed their individualized, person-centered care model, an approach that brings many stakeholders together to provide each patient with love, dignity, and care.

At Nevada Hospice Care, individualized care means clients are not seen as interchangeable patients, but as people with vibrant backgrounds and stories, with changing and unique physical circumstances, and with fully human preferences and needs.

"If you don't take the time to learn about the background of patients' lives, there are many things you won't see," Jennifer says. "We look at

each individual as his or her own unique person. It's important that we investigate and observe, ask questions, and understand what is impacting them in the near-term as well as the long-term."

This emphasis is helping patients and their loved ones celebrate lives well lived and offers the highest level of empathetic, personalized care to ease the journey.

Person-centered Model

Nevada Hospice Care includes an interdisciplinary team of skilled doctors, nurses, certified nursing assistants, social workers, and volunteers providing a range of care options from at-home support to inpatient services. Team members are committed to the core values of love, dignity, and care, and they seek to ease anxiety and burdens to allow family members to celebrate and create lasting memories during this final chapter of life. Above all, the physical and emotional needs of each client are honored.

Home visits allow a client the comfort of familiar surroundings while still receiving top-notch professional medical supervision. Support for an exhausted spouse can mean providing respite care for a few days so that they can recharge. The team also facilitates experiences of joy and connection for patients and their loved ones, arranging for music therapy as well as visits from therapy dogs. More recently, Jennifer and Tony have been exploring virtual reality as a way for patients to complete their bucket lists—the latest effort to enable each client to feel fulfilled.

"Nevada Hospice Care allows for a better journey towards the end of life," Jennifer says. "In hospice, you recognize that things may not get better, but that does not mean you give up hope."



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