

Palliative Care

VS

Hospice Care



Who can be treated?

Anyone with a serious illness

Anyone with a serious illness who doctors believe has a life expectancy less than 6 months

Will my symptoms be relieved?

Yes, as much as possible

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Can I continue receiving treatments to cure my illness?

Yes, if you wish

No, only symptom relief will be provided

Can Medicare pay?

It depends on your benefits and treatment plan

Yes, it pays for some hospice charges

How long will I be cared for?

It depends on your insurance plan and the care you need

As long as you meet the hospice's criteria of an illness with a life expectancy of months, not years

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Sources: <https://www.nia.nih.gov/health/what-are-palliative-care-and-hospice-care#palliative-vs-hospice>

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