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and their loved ones.

Nurses are providing strong primary palliative care skills and great compassion in their work to care for people with COVID

Home

Empathically supports all health care colleagues within these extraordinary, stressful times

Accurately and efficiently conducts a comprehensive assessment that includes history taking. physical assessment, and medication reconciliation

PALLIATIVE NURSING: THE **CORE OF COVID-19 CARE**

Assisted living Specialty palliative care nurses bring unique and vital skills that are essential during the pandemic. All nurses are making a difference in the lives to those affected by COVID-19.

Home hospice

Effectively educates family and healthcare workers about aggressive, patient centered symptom control

Acts courageously to preserve the dignity of all patients

Skillfully and compassionately communicates with patients, family members and loved ones, along with all members of the healthcare team

Expertly identifies symptoms, prevents them when possible and provides safe, effective management

support access to care to all

Coordinates and ties together the healthcare team to honor patient goals/wishes

Advocates for policies that

estanding or institution based hospice units

Facilitates goals of care discussion to align care with values and desired setting of care

 Guides patients and families to articulate their goals and helps align treatment to match what is most important to them

At the bedside, promotes connections for family members who are often unable to be physically in attendance

Intensive care units

THE NURSE

Settings of Care:

Palliative nurses work to care for people with COVID throughout the community and a variety of institutions.

Outpatient clinics Many patients with mild to moderate infection will require advice, reassurance and support regarding self-management of symptoms

Other patients will need intensive monitoring and aggressive, specialty level symptom control

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