

## Information Regarding Hospice Services & Hospice Selection

If you are entering our facility to receive long-term care, at some point, your physician may indicate that you could benefit from receiving hospice services. While we understand that the concept of hospice can sometimes sound frightening or permanent, we believe in the benefits of hospice and palliative care. Therefore, our facility makes hospice services available to our residents through our affiliated hospice provider, Bella Care Hospice ("**Bella Care**").

We believe that palliative care programs can help residents adjust to various stages in their care journey and allow them to better manage pain so that they can enjoy time with family and friends. Indeed, many residents who receive hospice services have found that both their physical well-being and their quality of life can improve with the receipt of hospice care. If you have questions about the hospice benefit at any time, please do not hesitate to ask our staff, and we can connect you with the appropriate personnel to discuss your questions.



Introduction to Bella Care

Bella Care Hospice is a compassionate team of doctors, nurses, social workers, bereavement and spiritual coordinators, volunteers, and therapists. The Bella Care team aims to focus on the quality of life for its patients by offering a holistic approach encompassing medical, physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of patients, communities, and families. Bella Care provides individualized care to meet the patient's and family's needs.

We believe it is important for individuals to understand relationships between their health care providers, and therefore we want to make you aware that we have an affiliation with Bella Care. Because of this affiliation, we believe that Bella Care offers our residents unique benefits in the form of shared philosophies on patient care, technologies, and quality improvement mechanisms.

## **Your Hospice Choice**

Because we must coordinate our services with hospices providing services at our facility, we only contract with one (1) hospice agency. If at any time you wish to receive services from another hospice, we can assist you in transferring to another facility or appropriate non-facility setting where you can receive services from the hospice of your choice.