

# Hospice

FirstHealth Hospice is a not-for-profit agency dedicated to providing compassionate, quality care for people with life-limiting illness. FirstHealth Hospice is the only hospice affiliated with FirstHealth of the Carolinas.

## How and where does FirstHealth Hospice serve?

FirstHealth Hospice staff serves patients in their homes, in nursing homes (centers) and assisted living facilities, as well as at the Hospice House. Patients may be referred to FirstHealth Hospice by anybody, including family members and friends, and are admitted to the program with the approval of their physician.



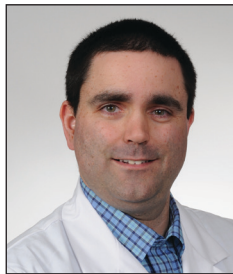
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## Hospice Campus

The focal point of the campus is the 11-bed FirstHealth Hospice House, which provides end-of-life care for patients who need more acute medical care than can be provided in the home.

Patients and their families are cared for in a comfortable, home-like setting with private rooms and features such as a family kitchen, dining area and a children's play area. Patients are attended to by an inter-disciplinary team consisting of physicians, nurses, social workers, counselors, nurse aides, chaplains and specially trained support volunteers.

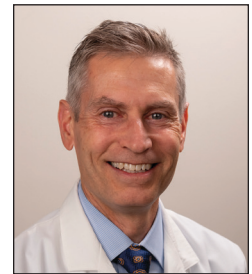
Located on a 30-acre site just minutes away from Moore Regional Hospital, the Hospice campus also includes a chapel as well as a building housing the FirstHealth Grief Resource & Counseling Center and Hospice Administration.



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## FirstHealth Grief Resource & Counseling Center

Our licensed grief counselors are trained, experienced professionals who offer individual, family and group counseling for children, teens and adults who are adjusting to a serious illness or who have experienced a loss due to death. The Center's lending library has an extensive collection of books, videos and CD's on topics related to death, bereavement and end-of-life issues. Center-sponsored events include community workshops and education programs, as well as Camp Lost & Found for children and teens that have lost someone special. All services of the Grief Resource and Counseling Center are free and open to anyone in the community.

