



Grane Hospice Care

Grane Hospice is a locally owned and operated hospice company that serves Allegheny county as well as the surrounding counties. We will serve patients who have a terminal illness in which they are no longer seeking active treatment for with a 6 month or less diagnosis if their disease progresses like it should. Our team of medical directors, registered nurses, certified nursing assistants, social workers, chaplains, bereavement coordinators, pampered patient aides and volunteers are there to help the patients and their families in the end stage of life. We can treat patients anywhere where they consider home to be, whether or not if that is in their home, skilled nursing facility, assisted living facility and hospital just to name a few.

What we would like from our volunteers. If you are a college student, who is especially interested in a career in healthcare, we will offer you the opportunity to work with our patients. They have diseases that range from Alzheimer's to cardiac issues to cancer to neurological diseases, etc. We want you to experience the different ways that the diseases impact a person's life, as well as what measures we take to make them comfortable. We train these volunteers to interact with the patient, ensuring that both of you have a meaningful experience. We will continue to provide hands on training throughout your volunteer time with us, whether it is with one of our nurses, chaplains, social workers, etc. Additionally we will let you create your schedule so as to not interfere with your studies. All that we ask is you complete the required work and the 40 hours in a semester. We would love if you stayed on as a volunteer after the 40 hours, but it is not a requirement. This experience will help you develop your bedside manner as well as how to interact with other disciplines within a healthcare setting.

Some of the benefits of volunteering with us is we provide reimbursement for any supplies you may purchase for your visit with the patient, such as food, magazines, etc. Also, we reimburse for mileage at \$0.55 or for bus fare if you do not have a car. Additionally we also have yearly parties so you can meet others volunteers.

Volunteers who are not interested in pursuing the 40 hours, we also have events, such as a Veteran Day Celebration for our patients or a Christmas party where we need volunteers as well as volunteers to help with crafts for the patients which may include making memory boxes, cards, or something for Christmas. We can even use volunteers to help with our social media or our newsletter.

We would love for you to join the team. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,
Julie Moreschi
Volunteer Coordinator Grane Hospice Pittsburgh