

Mayo Clinic Medical Edge

What is Hospice

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Intro with music	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC MEDICAL EDGE.
	LET'S FACE IT, DEATH CAN BE A TOUGH TOPIC TO TALK ABOUT. ESPECIALLY WHEN WE'RE TALKING ABOUT AN AILING LOVED ONE. THAT'S WHERE HOSPICE CARE CAN BEGIN TO HELP.
Tom Fitch, M.D. Track 1 (4:30)	"TOO OFTEN PHYSICIANS, PATIENTS, FAMILIES THINK THAT HOSPICE CARE IS GIVING UP. IT IS A HARD TRANSITION IT'S WHEN WE NOT AGRESSIVELY TREATING THE SPECIFIC DISEASE, WE DON'T HAVE EFFECTIVE THEREAPIES LEFT."
	DR. TOM FITCH WORKS WITH

	<p>CANCER PATIENTS AT MAYO CLINIC. HE SAYS HOSPICE IS ABOUT FACING CERTAIN REALITIES AND TRANSITIONING HOPE TO OTHER GOALS, SUCH AS SYMPTOM MANAGEMENT.</p>
<p>Dr. Fitch Track 1 (5:45)</p>	<p>“MAKE SURE PAIN IS CONTROLLED... THEY HAVE THE BEST APPETITIE... FATIGUE... ALL THOSE ISSUES AND AT THE SAME TIME SET GOALS FOR CLOSURE WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS.</p>
	<p>DR. FITCH SAYS YOU’RE TRYNG TO HELP PATIENTS UNDERSTAND THAT THEY ARE NEAR END OF LIFE, AND THE HELP ADDRESS ISSUES THAT NEED TO BE ADDRESSED. BECAUSE TOO OFTEN THE REALITY IS NEVER ACCEPTED.</p>
	<p>FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT MAYOCLINIC.ORG. I’M VIVIEN</p>

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