The journey that each cancer patient takes is different, made unique by the conditions, circumstances, even the personality of the patient himself. That’s why we believe that the best possible care for cancer patients is the kind that is designed to fit this uniqueness.

Palliative care is an approach that improves the quality of life of patients and their families facing the problem associated with life-threatening illness, through the prevention and relief of suffering by means of early identification and impeccable assessment and treatment of pain and other problems, physical, psychosocial and spiritual.

Continuity of Care

Palliative care aims to positively influence the course of illness. It is applicable early in the course of illness, in conjunction with other therapies that are intended to prolong life, such as chemotherapy or radiation therapy, and includes those investigations needed to better understand and manage distressing clinical complications.

At The Medical City - Cancer Center, Palliative Care is provided at the Multispecialty Cancer Clinic or while the patient is admitted in the hospital. As needed and when requested, our palliative care specialist can do home care for patients who are unable to go to the hospital and who prefer to continue receiving care at home.

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At the Medical City, our patients are our partners. As such, the Palliative Care team integrates the psychological and spiritual aspects of patient care and thus provides a comprehensive patient and family centered care. Palliative care focuses on the entire person, not only on the illness. It offers a support system to help patients live as actively as possible while also offering a support system to help the family cope.

In our Cancer Center, patient care is organized around a model in which the attending physician, together with the medical, surgical, radiation oncology, and palliative care specialists, interact to provide coordinated care for the patient and family. Strategies to assist professionals share information and better coordinate care include the multidisciplinary team conference (MDTC) where pertinent patient details are shared and goals of care are refined and documented. MDTCs for inpatients and outpatients at the Cancer Center are conducted with these cancer specialists on hand to review and determine a customized and best management plan for each individual patient.

Support for family caregivers is a core function of palliative care. Family meetings are commonly held as a useful way for health care professionals to convey information, clarify expectations, correct misperceptions, discuss goals of care and plan care strategies with patients and family caregivers.

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Palliative Care Services

Care Coordination
Customized care also means convenience. The Cancer Center recognizes the importance of helping the patient navigate through the health care system. The Care Coordinators are dedicated to provide patients and their family with exceptional care through the entire course of treatment. They coordinate care appointments and provide support during treatments and follow-ups. They are a true advocate of patient and family.

Nurse Oncology Services
Our Oncology Nurses provide comfort, convenience and compassionate care. They coordinate with our multidisciplinary team to help patients achieve their health goals.

Cancer Nutrition
Part of palliative care is maintaining a healthy diet – one that is suited to your specific nutritional needs. Our experts from Nutritional Management Services help create a dietary program for you, providing proper advice and supervision that helps manage and improve your nutrition.

Home Care Services
In an effort to extend its services to patients beyond their stay in the hospital and in the comfort of their homes and loved ones, The Medical City has provided a special Home Care Service for its clients. This is to make certain that continuity of care, along with seamless quality service is upheld. Through this unit, health care services are provided to individuals and families in their place of residence for the purpose of promoting, maintaining or restoring health, or maximizing the level of independence, while minimizing the effects of disability and illness on patients and the people surrounding them.

Stoma and Wound Care
The Medical City’s Stoma and Complex Wound Care Clinic is a special unit dedicated to patients’ stoma, complex chronic wound, and colorectal problems. The clinic features a therapist certified by the World Council of Enteral/Parenteral Therapists—one of only two in the Philippines—and a complete range of dressings and supplies to suit each and every patient’s preferences, including advanced wound dressings, debridement, and various types of skin substitutes.

Cancer Rehabilitation Program
Our rehabilitation programs are designed to enhance the quality of life for cancer patients. We focus on the patient concerns – be they functional, physical, psychological, or social – and develop an individualized program to maximize their functional ability for optimal independence.

Peer Mentoring Program
Cancer can be a devastating diagnosis, creating social, emotional, financial and psychological problems. Peer counseling programs are based on the premise that support from others who have been through a similar experience can help reduce the negative impacts of this disease.

Support Groups
Life with cancer can be made much easier when you know you are not alone in your journey. Our Support Groups seek to gather cancer patients and survivors and create a community that fosters emotional and social support for patients undergoing treatment. The Groups provide valuable information about cancer through interactive discussion; further empowering patients and their families to face the challenges of living with cancer.

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