



PalliativeCare
VICTORIA

Glossary of Terms

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The **Palliative Care Victoria Glossary of Terms** has been developed to help patients, carers, family members and staff to better understand and communicate terms and acronyms often used in palliative care.

It is also designed to provide language professionals with access to accurate and culturally and linguistically appropriate palliative care terminology to ensure consistency both within and across languages.

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actively dying

aktivno umiranje

The last hours and days of a person's life.

acute pain

akutni bolovi

Pain which is of short duration and normally resolves when the body heals itself, such as after injuries or operations.

advance care planning

planiranje skrbi unaprijed

The process of planning ahead for future health and personal care should a person be unable to communicate or make medical decisions for themselves.

advance care directive

unaprijed dane zdravstvene direktive

A legally binding document that sets out a person's future healthcare treatment preferences. These preferences must be followed if the person is unable to communicate or make medical decisions for themselves. This is also sometimes referred to as an advance care plan.

advocacy/advocate

zagovaranje / zagovornik

The process of supporting and enabling people to express their opinions and concerns, to access information and services, to defend and promote their rights and responsibilities, and to explore choices and options. A person who supports others in this way is called an advocate.

allied health professional

pridruženi zdravstveni stručnjak

Health professionals with specialised expertise in preventing diagnosing and treating a range of conditions and illnesses.

bereavement

žalost

A period of mourning after a loss, especially after the death of a loved one. Bereavement is recognised as a final stage in the palliative care continuum.

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capacity

spособnost

Being capable of making one's own treatment decisions.

carer

skrbnik

A person who looks after someone who needs help with day-to-day living. The term is most often used to describe unpaid carers but sometimes used to describe those who provide care as professionals.

care coordination

koordinacija skrbi

When health workers and/or medical professionals work together in a team to provide health care.

care navigator

pomagač u pronalaženju skrbi

A trained professional who assists someone to find the right care and support services to meet their needs.

chronic condition/disease

kronično stanje / kronična bolest

An ongoing long-term illness characterized by persistent and recurring health consequences lasting for three months or more.

chronic pain

kronični bolovi

Any pain lasting more than 12 weeks.

consent to treatment

pristanak na liječenje

Giving permission before receiving any type of medical treatment, test or examination. Consent is not required for palliative care but clinicians should take into consideration the person's preferences and values when providing palliative care.

comfort care

Skrb za udobnost

Commonly used to mean end of life care.

community palliative care.

palijativna skrb u zajednici

Is palliative care that is provided in your home or residential aged care

comorbidity

istovremeno postojanje više bolesti

When people have more than one health condition at the same time. Each health condition is called a comorbidity.

CPR - cardiopulmonary resuscitation

CPR – kardiopulmonarna reanimacija (umjetno oživljavanje)

An emergency procedure performed when a person's heart or breathing stops. It can involve a combination of physical techniques including chest compressions, mouth-to-mouth breaths, electric shock to the chest (defibrillation) and insertion of a breathing tube into the lungs.

curative care

ljekovita skrb

Medical treatments or interventions expected to remove a health problem completely and allow the person to recover to their previous level of health.

cultural needs

kulturne potrebe

Values, practices, beliefs and protocols that are important to an individual.

care with dignity

dostojanstvena skrb

Supports the self-respect of a person, recognising their capacities and ambitions and does nothing to undermine it.

delirium

bunilo

A sudden altered conscious state experienced by people when they are unwell. When a person develops delirium, they may become confused, lose attention quickly or become agitated and irritable. They may also become unusually quiet and not interact as usual.

dementia

demencija

A term used for several progressive disorders of the brain that cause confusion or memory loss as well as difficulty with language, problem solving and performing day to day tasks.

emotional support

emocionalna podrška

Showing care and compassion for another person.

end of life

kraj života

The period of time when someone is likely to die in the next 12 months.

end of life care

Skrb na kraju života

Care needed for people who are likely to die in the next 12 months due to progressive, advanced or incurable illness or frailty.

frailty

slabost

A physical state that can include unintentional weight loss, muscle loss/weakness, feeling fatigued, low levels of physical activity and reduced walking speed.

goals of care

ciljevi skrbi

What a person wants to achieve during an episode of care, within the context of their clinical situation and their treating medical team.

grief

tuga

The emotional reactions and processes experienced from the illness or death of a loved one.

health care

zdravstvena zaštita

Any type of services provided by health professionals that impact on health.

holistic care

holistička njega

Care that involves considering all of a person's needs taking into account their physical, emotional, social and spiritual wellbeing.

home care

kućna skrb

Health care or supportive care services provided in a home setting.

hospice

hospicij (program ili mjesto za nemoćne)

A program or place that cares for people who are nearing death.

hospice care/specialist inpatient unit

hospicij / specijalni odjel za palijativnu skrb

A type of service delivering palliative care and can include both free-standing hospices and/or palliative care wards within a hospital.

life limiting condition.

neizlječiva teška bolest

A condition for which there is no reasonable hope of cure and from which a person will inevitably decline and is expected to die

Medical Treatment Decision Maker

Donositelj odluka o zdravstvenom tretmanu

A person formally appointed, or identified from a legal hierarchy of decision-makers, to make medical decisions on behalf of someone in capacity to make decisions for themselves. Appointed Medical Treatment Decision Makers were formerly known as a Medical Power of Attorney, and these Medical Powers of Attorney, completed prior to 12th March 2018 are still valid. The term, Medical Treatment Decision Maker was introduced as part of Victoria's Medical Treatment Planning and Decisions Act 2016. A person must be deemed to have capacity at the time of appointing a Medical Treatment Decision Maker.

medical treatment

liječenje

The medical management and care of a patient to treat a disease or disorder.

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medication

lijek

Any medicine or preparation used to treat, manage or cure illness.

morbidity

bolovanje od nečeg

Suffering from a disease or medical condition.

multidisciplinary team

multidisciplinarni tim

A group of health, allied health and other professionals from different disciplines who collaborate to meet the care needs of a patient.

NFR - not for resuscitation

NFR – nije za reanimaciju

A medical order to withhold cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR).

palliation

tretman koji ne liječi, ali pomaže za udobnost

Treatment that helps a patient feel more comfortable and improves quality of life but does not cure the disease.

palliative approach

palijativni pristup

Recognises that death is inevitable and focuses on the care rather than cure of a person with a life-limiting illness.

palliative care continu

kontinuitet palijativne skrbi

Health care that can span from the point of diagnosis with a serious illness to death.

palliative care patient

pacijent na palijativnoj skrbi

A person receiving a palliative care service.

palliative care services

službe za palijativnu skrb

Community, hospice, hospital or residential aged care programs with health professionals who have advanced training in palliative care. They provide holistic care to patients with complex palliative care needs, provide advice and educate non-specialist health care professionals who are providing palliative care.

palliative care specialist/doctor

specijalist / liječnik palijativne skrbi

A doctor who has specialised in the field of palliative medicine. Palliative care specialists can also be nurse practitioners.

palliative care

palijativna skrb

Care that helps people live their life as fully and as comfortably as possible when living with a life limiting or terminal illness by treating distressing or painful symptoms of the condition and supporting their emotion, psychological, cultural and spiritual wellbeing.

palliative care team.

tim za palijativnu skrb

Palliative care may be provided by a wide range of health, allied health and other professionals

person centred approach

pristup usredotočen na osobu

An approach to health care that treats each person respectfully as an individual.

primary carer

primarni skrbnik

A person who undertakes the main role in the coordination and delivery of care and support for another person.

quality of life

kvaliteta života

A term used to capture a person's subjective physical, psychological, social, cultural and spiritual wellbeing.

pain relief

ublažavanje ili uklanjanje bolova

The act of treatment or therapy for reducing, managing or eliminating pain

referral

upućivanje

The act of referring someone or something for consultation, review, or further action.

refusal of treatment

odbijanje liječenja

A person's legal right to decline the use of medical treatment. They should be given the opportunity to understand what that treatment involves, the consequences of not having it and alternatives that may be available. Whilst a person with capacity may refuse palliative care, their Medical Treatment Decision Maker is not able to refuse it on behalf of a person lacking medical decision-making capacity. The person's own preferences and values should still be taken in consideration

respite care

odmjena skrbnika

When someone else takes care of the person you care for, so that you can have a break.

specialised palliative care services

specijalizirane službe za palijativnu skrb

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spiritual care

duhovna skrb

An aspect of healthcare that supports the inner person (spirit/soul) to help deal with health care challenges.

symptoms

simptomi

Physical or mental changes that occur as part of a disease process.

substitute decision maker

zamjenik donositelja odluka

A person who is legally recognised as an appointed or non-appointed decision-maker to make health care or medical treatment decisions for a person who has lost decision-making capacity. If the decision is about medical treatment, in Victoria this will be the person's Medical Treatment Decision Maker

supportive care

potporna skrb

Where the focus of treatment is what is important to the patient.

supported decision making

podržano donošenje odluka

The provision of support to enable a person to be able to exercise their legal decision-making rights. The additional support enables the person with decision-making capacity to make their own decisions - the person providing support does not make the decision on behalf of the person needing support.

terminal condition

smrtonosno stanje

When a diagnosed health condition cannot be cured and will eventually cause death.

terminal illness

smrtonosna bolest

An illness that cannot be cured and will eventually cause death.

terminal phase

faza pred kraj života

The final hours or days before a person dies.

therapy/therapeutic

terapija/terapeutski

Treatment provided to a patient with the goal of curing, delaying progress of an illness or provision of symptom and pain relief.

treatment

liječenje

Any medical, surgical or other health care intervention.

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wellbeing

dobrobit

A complex combination of a person's physical, mental, emotional and social health factors.

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