



Social Story: Someone Close to Me is in Hospice Care

An important person in my life is very sick and they will not get better. They are going to die soon.



The person may be very tired, weak, or in a lot of pain. They may look different or act differently.



Because they will not get better, they may get hospice care. Hospice care is for people who are very sick and will not get better.



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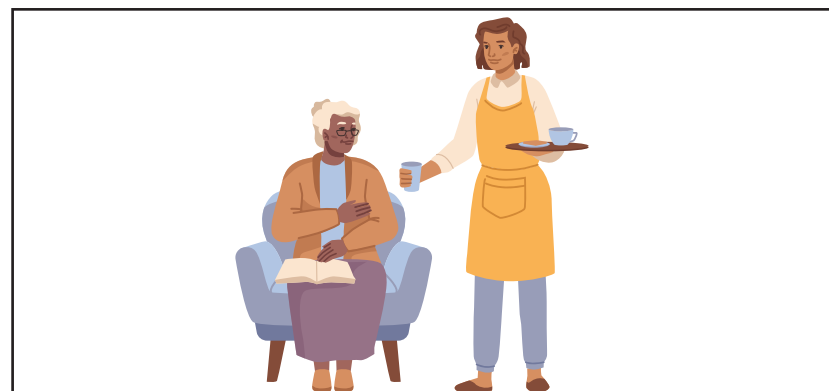
Hospice care means that healthcare people will help the person not be in any pain. People can get hospice care for weeks or months before they die.



Different healthcare workers will visit the person to make them feel more comfortable. They may give the person medicine to help ease the pain in their body.

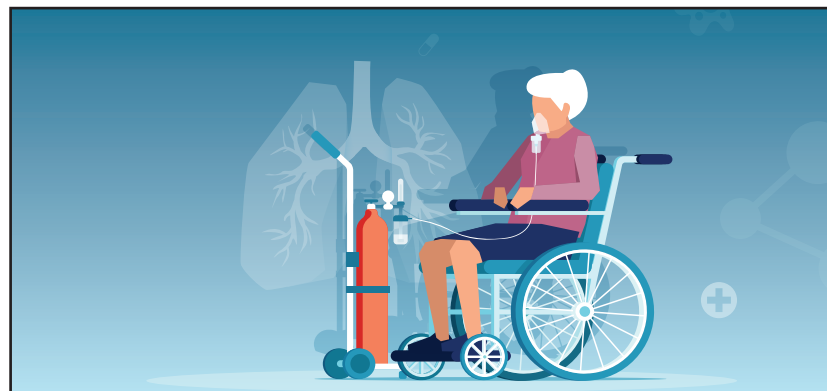


Other people may visit to cook food, clean the house, or keep the person company. Some people may visit to sit and talk with the sick person or sing and pray with them.



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I might feel sad or worried to see new equipment and machines in the person's house. I might feel anxious about new people visiting the person's house.



Sometimes people get hospice care in a nursing home or another facility. I can visit the person there. It may feel strange to visit the person in a different place.



I may feel sad that the special person in my life will die soon.

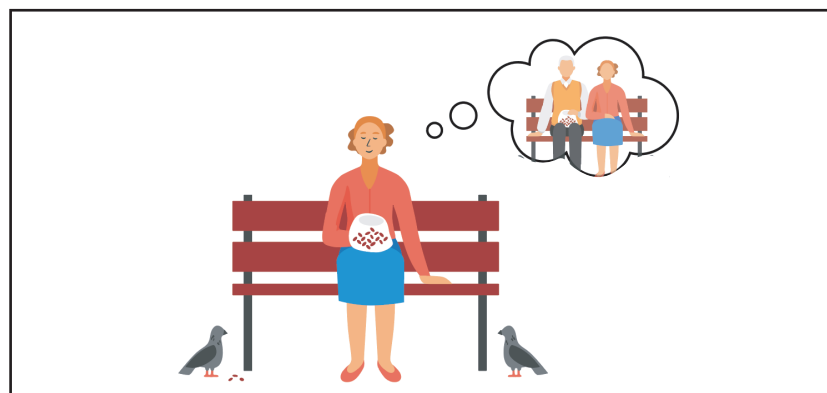


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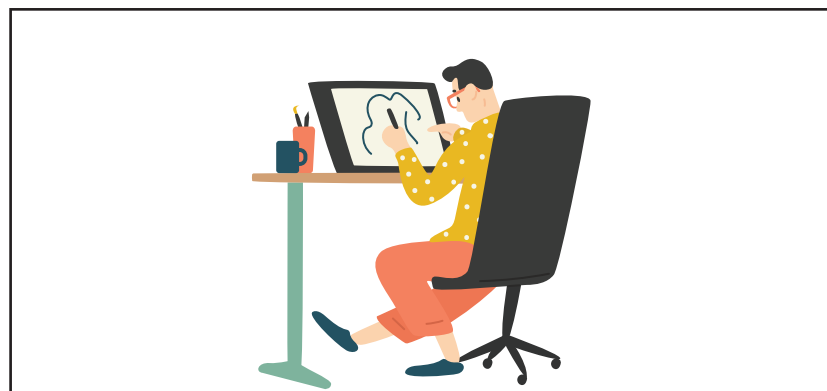
I might also feel scared that other important people may die soon. I may feel worried that I may die soon. It is normal to have these feelings when someone is very sick and will not get better.



I might feel anxious about how my life may change after the special person in my life dies. I will miss spending time with the person.



I may feel sad that I won't spend time with the person after they die. I can do things that I enjoy when I start to feel sad.



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My special person will always be in my memories. I will always love the person, even after they die.



It is important to share my feelings with friends, family, or someone I trust. Sharing my feelings can help people support me.

