# PALLIATIVE CARE



## Special Care for Those with On-Going Illnesses & Extra Support For You and Your Family



#### What is Palliative Care?

Palliative care is care that helps to:

- + Ease your pain and symptoms when you are very sick
- + Let you live a better quality of life
- + Give your family the support they need when coping with your illness

Palliative Care is there for you at any time during your illness, along with other types of care!

### What can Palliative Care do for me and my family?

A doctor and care team made up of nurses, social workers, and care managers work with you to:

- + Find ways to make your life as comfortable and as active as you want it to be.
- + Help with your pain and other symptoms. These can include:
  - trouble breathing
  - upset stomach
  - · trouble sleeping
  - anxiety or depression
- + Tell you and your family about the choices you can make about your care now and in the future.
- + Link you to resources you need.
- + Fill out paper work to put in writing the kind of care you want.



## Is this the right time for Palliative Care?

Would you like:

- + More help to cope with your illness?
- + To feel less pain and suffering?
- + A better quality of life?
- + Less stress because of your illness?

If you answered "Yes" to any of these questions, ask your doctor about Palliative Care or call: