

In Partnership With You & Your Child's Primary Physician.

We focus on improving your child's symptoms and quality of life in partnership with you and your child's primary physician.

To address the needs of each individual child and his or her family, we provide:

- Expert treatment of your child's pain and other symptoms.
- Assistance in making complex medical decisions.
- Referrals and recommendations for supportive and healing therapies such as occupational, physical, art and music therapy.
- Input from experts in nutrition, psychology, social services, spiritual care and others.
- Coordination of specialized home care.



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COMER CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

PEDIATRIC COMFORT TEAM

*Dedicated to providing comfort,
relieving symptoms and optimizing quality
of life for children facing a serious illness.*



We Are Here To Help.

The Comfort Team at the University of Chicago Comer Children's Hospital offers comprehensive family-centered care for children coping with a serious illness or chronic condition. We are a team of doctors, nurses, social workers, chaplains, nutritionists and child life specialists working together with your child's primary physician to ensure your child's comfort and well-being.

We offer your family:

- Improved quality of life.
- Guidance in decision making.
- Pain & symptom management.
- Spiritual support.
- Better understanding of your child's illness.
- Emotional support.
- Care for the whole family.

We Are Focused On Improving Your Child's Quality of Life.

Whether diagnosed with a serious illness or chronic condition, your child may benefit from our services. By focusing on your child's symptoms, we can greatly improve your child's ability to enjoy life.

A consultation with the Comfort Team is an appropriate option for your child if you answer "yes" to any of the following statements:

- Your child's care is becoming increasingly challenging.
- There has been a decline in your child's medical condition.
- Your child's hospital stays are becoming more frequent.
- Your child's pain and other symptoms are becoming difficult to manage.
- Your child has been diagnosed with a life-limiting disease.

Requesting Our Service.

For Consultations:

If your child has not already been referred to the Comfort Team, simply ask your child's physician to request a consultation. We will ensure that you receive a consultation in a timely manner. We will work together with your family and physicians to create the fullest life possible for you and your child.

For Questions about our Program:

We welcome any questions you may have. If you have questions about the Pediatric Comfort Team Program, call 773-834-9041 or ask your child's nurse to page extension 2728.

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