



Cherish Hospice Awarded CHAP Accreditation for Meeting Healthcare Industry's Highest National Standards
The Recently Launched, Innovative Hospice Care Provider is Now Serving Southwest Ohio

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio (June 21, 2022) – [Cherish Hospice](#), a recently launched hospice healthcare company serving southwest Ohio, has been awarded [CHAP](#) accreditation by Community Health Accreditation Partner Inc., identifying it as having reached the highest levels of hospice standards of excellence, as established by the credentialing organization.

“The rigorous evaluation by CHAP focuses on structure and function, quality of services and products, human and financial resources, and long-term viability,” said Cherish Hospice CEO Sim Engel. “Simply stated, adherence to CHAP's standards leads to better quality care.”

Such care is a staple at Cherish Hospice, he said. “Every member of our team operates from a deep understanding of the emotional, physical, and mental needs of patients and their loved ones as they address end-of-life issues,” Engel noted.

Cherish Hospice Recently Launched Its Services

Cherish Hospice was founded by experts with significant experience in hospice and community-based homecare. The company provides a variety of services to patients and their families in southwestern Ohio, including the Greater Dayton and Cincinnati areas.

Launched in mid-2021, it has drawn its staff from veterans in the field of hospice care. Not only does the hospice offer nursing care, alternative therapies, daily living support, and emotional and spiritual support, but its 24/7 hands-on caregiving includes bereavement care and grief support. Cherish Hospice is headquartered in Springfield, Ohio, and is opening its second office in Cincinnati.

“We provide care wherever a patient calls ‘home,’” said Engel, speaking to the special nature of its hospice services. “Patients often had to stay at a skilled nursing facility specializing in hospice care to get the services they needed. We enhance their hospice experience by allowing them the ability to be at home or wherever they choose, surrounded by family and loved ones.”

Cherish Hospice brings a holistic approach to end-of-life care for loved ones and their families, said Engel, noting that hospice care is a philosophy of treatment focused on caring, not curing. The goal is to help patients get the best quality of life in their time remaining. By caring for any physical and emotional symptoms, the hospice staff ensures that the patient remains as comfortable as possible until the very end.

In addition to working with patients themselves, the staff provides the patient's loved ones with support throughout the emotional, spiritual, and medical challenges that arise.

"The end-of-life journey is challenging for the patient and their loved ones," Engel said. "Our number-one priority during this physically and emotionally draining time is to surround the patient and their family with uncompromised compassion. We cherish the time a patient has left and will do everything in our power to enhance their physical and emotional comfort during that time."

About CHAP

Community Health Accreditation Partner Inc.'s (CHAP) purpose is to define and advance the highest standards of community-based care. It is an independent, not-for-profit, accrediting body for community-based healthcare organizations. Created in 1965, CHAP was the first to recognize the need and value for accreditation in community-based care. CHAP is the oldest national, community-based accrediting body, with more than 9,000 agencies currently accredited nationwide. Through "deeming authority" granted by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), CHAP has the regulatory authority to survey agencies providing home health, hospice, and home medical equipment services, to determine if they meet the Medicare Conditions of Participation and CMS Quality Standards.

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