



Palliative Care Volunteer Service

Bleep 4900

From 7 October 2019, we will have volunteers available to support patients with life limiting illness in the last months, weeks, days or hours of life.

What they can offer:

- a presence / support to a dying patient
- someone able to provide a listening ear for palliative patients and their relatives
- support relatives wellbeing by sitting with patients whilst they take a break, get something to eat or have a shower
- sit with patients whose family and friends are unable to visit at that time
- companionship to those end of life patients waiting for placement or who are likely to remain in hospital

What they can't offer:

- a replacement for clinical staff where there are patients who require close observation

