

# WHAT IS SUPPORTIVE MEDICINE?

If you or a loved one are being treated at City of Hope, you may benefit from the services of supportive medicine. Supportive medicine is a special team of doctors and nurses who work with patients, families and the main health care team to help improve quality of life. They are experts in keeping patients comfortable at any point during their treatment.

## HOW CAN THIS TEAM HELP ME OR MY LOVED ONE?

The doctors and nurses in supportive medicine have advanced training to support patients and family members in many ways such as the following:

- Address symptoms of the patient's disease and side effects of treatment.
- Manage uncontrolled or complex symptoms, including pain.
- Help clarify hard choices and make values-based medical decisions.
- Understand what you value and use it to guide decisions.

## HOW DO I ADD SUPPORTIVE MEDICINE EXPERTS TO MY HEALTH CARE TEAM?

There are two ways that supportive medicine experts can join your health care team:

1. Your main doctor asks them to join your current health care team.
2. You share your concerns with your main doctor and ask for a referral for supportive medicine services.

## WHO IS PART OF THIS TEAM?

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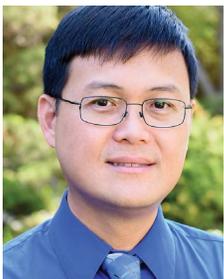


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