

## What makes My Nest is Best special?

Angela Hospice developed My Nest is Best in 1994, specifically to care for children with a life-limiting illness. Over the years, Angela Hospice has served patients ranging in age from 1-day to 25-years old in our pediatric program.

The My Nest is Best team affirms life, celebrates the uniqueness of each family, and considers it an honor to walk alongside each family, empowering them to care for their child.

"I LOVE MY HOUSE.  
I LOVE MY NEST.  
IN ALL THE WORLD  
MY NEST IS BEST!"

~ from *The Best Nest*, by P.D. Eastman



## How to contact My Nest is Best

For more information about My Nest is Best or to inquire about beginning services, please call the Angela Hospice Referral Center toll free at:

**(866) 464-7810**

Children may be referred to My Nest is Best with a phone call from doctors, discharge planners at hospitals, friends, clergy, social workers, parents, or any family member. Weekend admissions will also be accommodated when necessary.

*Angela Hospice is a Catholic sponsored ministry in the Franciscan Felician tradition, dedicated to provide comprehensive, compassionate, and Christlike care to adults and children in the communities we serve.*



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# My Nest is Best

*Expert pediatric and prenatal hospice care in the comfort of home*



A program of  **Angela Hospice**



*After all, there's no place like home...*

This is the philosophy behind My Nest is Best, Angela Hospice's pediatric hospice program. When a child is diagnosed with an incurable illness, a family's life can be turned upside down. Angela Hospice's mission is to assist children and their families during this difficult time, providing healthcare, counseling, and allowing a sense of normalcy back into their lives.

### *What does My Nest is Best offer?*

My Nest is Best is a family-centered program designed for children with progressive, life-limiting conditions. It focuses on enabling children to continue living at home, in a comfortable place where they are surrounded by the people, pets, and the environment that bring them security and joy.

This is possible with the help of the Angela Hospice team, who will work together with the family and doctor to control the child's pain and manage their symptoms, while keeping them alert to enjoy each day with their families.



Each child and family has a team of pediatric hospice professionals including physicians, nurses, aides, a social worker, therapists, and dietician. Support from spiritual care providers, trained volunteers, and other specialists are also available.

- ❖ 24-hour, on-call availability of a hospice nurse or social worker.
- ❖ Visits by team members that are flexible and individualized.
- ❖ Assistance with obtaining medications, medical supplies, and equipment.
- ❖ Emotional and spiritual support for patients, family, and others who are meaningful in the child's life.
- ❖ Extended bereavement services for 25 months following the death of the child.
- ❖ Angela Hospice's unique inpatient care facility is available for respite care and symptom management.

### *Must children give up their doctor?*

No. My Nest is Best professionals can also serve as an extension of the primary physician's hands, eyes, and ears. Under guidance of the child's physician, the child receives personalized, age-specific care. Many children continue to see their physician after they begin receiving hospice care in their home.

### *How Prenatal Hospice can help...*

My Nest is Best offers a specialized prenatal program. It is designed for families with unborn infants who are expected to have a life-threatening or life-limiting condition or illness after birth.

Expecting a new baby is usually a time filled with joy and hope for the future. It is heartbreaking when parents discover that their baby may be born with a serious or life-threatening medical condition. Parents who choose to continue with the pregnancy may find themselves alone with limited resources.

My Nest is Best **Prenatal Hospice Program** provides assistance to help families create a birth plan together that addresses their individual family goals during the pregnancy and delivery, and the time following the baby's birth. Whether at home or in the hospital, the My Nest is Best team is available to offer guidance and caring support to assist parents in both welcoming the baby, and if necessary, saying "good-bye."

