

Albemarle Hospice helps patients and families as they cope with a terminal illness. Hospice isn't about dying; it is about living each day to the fullest, and focusing on quality of life.

Many families find that caring for a loved one during a terminal illness is a special time, an opportunity to give back to their loved one. It allows opportunities for people to say the things they need to say, and do what they need to do. At Albemarle Hospice, our job is to give families the tools they need so they can be confident in caring for their loved one — we empower family members to be good caregivers.

- By learning about our patients, we encourage them to focus on their own special interests and unique experiences, rather than focusing on dying.
- We help patients and families redefine hope as the terminal illness progresses, so they can see that there is always hope.
- Albemarle Hospice doesn't believe that "there is nothing more that can be done;" there is always something that can be done to increase a person's comfort and improve their quality of life.

The Albemarle Hospice team helps patients and their families through the end of life's journey.

## Albemarle Hospice

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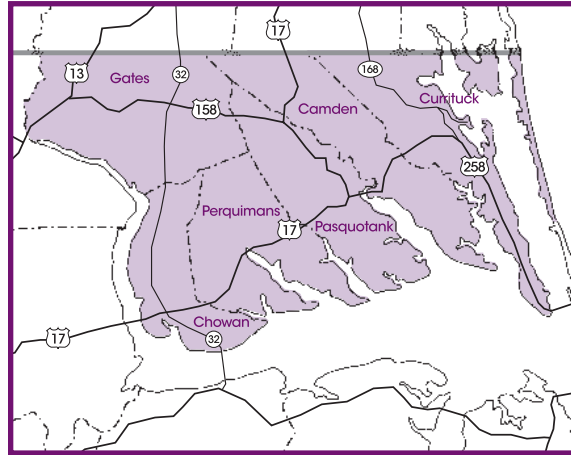
(252) 338-4066 or 1-800-478-0477

Hours of Operation:

Monday - Friday • 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

24/7 On-Call Service

## Our Northeastern North Carolina Service Area



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# Northeastern North Carolina's Albemarle Hospice



## Our Team of Caregivers

Our comprehensive team specializes in pain and symptom management, spiritual care, emotional support, and bereavement support. Members of the team include:

- The Patient and Family
- Physicians
- Nurses
- Social Workers
- Certified Nursing Assistants
- Clerical Support
- Hospice Medical Director
- Hospice Chaplain
- Trained Volunteers

Any family or friends providing care for a hospice patient may call for help at any time — 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. We will be there for you.

## Our Services

We provide the highest quality care, offering choices and dignity to those facing a life-limiting illness:

- Skilled nursing services
- Pain and symptom management
- Personal care by nursing assistants
- Family education regarding disease process, what to expect, and how to care for your loved one
- Spiritual and emotional support for patients and their families



- Bereavement support
- Prescription medications related to terminal illness
- Treatments for palliative care
- Durable medical equipment
- Medical supplies
- Respite
- Short-term hospital care for symptom control

## Eligibility and Payment

For a patient to qualify for Albemarle Hospice services:

- Patient must live in Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Gates, Pasquotank, or Perquimans county.
- Physician must certify that patient has a terminal illness, with a life expectancy of six months or less.
- Patient must have an able and willing caregiver (family, friends or hired assistants) if at home.
- Some patients qualify for hospice services while in a rest home or nursing home.

Albemarle Hospice is covered by Medicaid, Medicare, and many insurance plans. We also accept patients without insurance. Our social worker is available to discuss financial concerns.

*Donations allow Albemarle Hospice to provide services to patients without insurance coverage. Albemarle Hospice is non-profit, and all donations are tax deductible.*

## Contact Us

Call Albemarle Hospice at (252) 338-4066 or 1-800-478-0477, or ask your physician if hospice is appropriate for you.

## Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers offer support to our patients and their families. They sometimes sit with patients, run errands, pick up groceries, or do whatever will benefit the family caregivers and the patients. Volunteers participate in community education, special events, and fundraising. The time commitment is flexible, and the rewards are immense.

If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering, simply contact Albemarle Hospice and arrange to attend the Volunteer Training Program.