



FACT SHEET

About Us

Founded in 1997 by Dr. Bob Archuleta, Noah's Children serves a critical need as Central Virginia's first and only pediatric hospice and palliative care program. Through an interdisciplinary approach, Noah's Children ensures comprehensive, compassionate care at the most difficult time a family could face. The program has flourished with generous community support, sustaining a mission that provides complete care for body and spirit to families confronting the life-threatening illness of a child.

Services

The goal of Noah's Children is to deliver comprehensive, compassionate care for mind, body and spirit to both the patient and the family. Care can be provided concurrent with curative efforts or as the main focus of care. A combination of therapies used to help fulfill physical, psychological, social and spiritual goals while remaining sensitive to personal, developmental, cultural and religious values, beliefs and practices. Services include: End-of-Life Planning & Care, Pain & Symptom Management, IV Therapy Services, Disease Management & Education, Wound Care Treatment & Education, Medication Management & Education, Social and Emotional Support, Spiritual Support Services, Therapeutic Play, and Illness and Bereavement Support.

Eligibility & Referrals

Noah's Children serves children with a life-threatening condition from birth through 17 years of age. Any child needing hospice services who meets the eligibility requirements will not be denied care regardless of their ability to pay. Children are referred by pediatricians, specialists, intensive care units and health departments from all three major health care networks in Central Virginia, including HCA, Virginia Commonwealth University and Bon Secours Richmond. However, the child's primary physician must provide written orders for the services provided by Noah's Children.

Staffing

The interdisciplinary team at Noah's Children is specially trained to address a variety of needs that may arise and includes a medical director, two registered nurses, a social worker and bereavement counselor, volunteer coordinator and two administrative employees. Volunteers also play an enormous role in delivering Noah's Children services and support.

Funding

Because many of the services provided by Noah's Children are not reimbursable, a substantial part of the operating expenses must be generated from philanthropic efforts. Noah's Children continues to flourish thanks to the generous support of individuals, corporations, foundations, community and civic organizations, schools, the faith-based community and others. Funds are managed by the Bon Secours Health Care Foundation, which has established a separate fund specifically for Noah's Children. Services, which are provided in concert with all area physicians and health care systems, are offered separately from Bon Secours under the name of Noah's Children.

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