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JSSA Hospice and Premier Homecare



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As their care requirements increase, older adults turn to JSSA for assistance with changing physical, social and emotional needs. A community nonprofit, JSSA provides a range of healthcare and homemaking services that allow them to age in place with dignity.

"We can help you navigate life's changes," says Joy Sexton. "Whether that's with counseling, care management, in-home support or hospice care." Sexton, whose expertise is end-of-life care, has been the director of JSSA Hospice for 12 years. "Hospice is a team effort. Between our medical director, nurses, social workers, chaplains, certified aides and volunteers, we excel in providing our patients with compassionate end-of-life care and their families with guidance and emotional support." This fall all hospice nurses are receiving training to become certified dementia practitioners.

Cindy Libby-Green has been managing Premier Homecare, JSSA's in-home care and support service, since 2000. Premier's registered nurses and certified caregivers assist older adults with daily activities such as personal care, meal preparation and medication administration. "We help older adults maintain their independent lifestyles wherever they live—private homes, retirement communities, assisted living facilities and more," Libby-Green says. "If needed, we can also connect family members to a variety of support services offered at JSSA."

For those living with advancing illnesses like late-stage dementia or congestive heart failure who are not ready for hospice, there's Transitions. This free support program from JSSA helps ailing individuals and their families cope with the emotional and logistical challenges of life-limiting conditions. JSSA also offers mental health counseling, geriatric care management, socialization programs, escorted door-through-door transportation, and meal delivery to empower older adults and help enhance their quality of life.

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