

Our Locations

Gulfside Hospice has two inpatient hospice care centers to serve patients closer to home.

The Rucki Hospice Care Center

5760 Dean Dairy Road
Zephyrhills, FL 33541

Serving patients since 2010, the Rucki Hospice Care Center has 14 beds available in beautiful private and semi-private rooms.



Gulfside Center for Hospice Care at Heather Hill

6630 Kentucky Avenue
New Port Richey, FL 34653

Open since October 2012, the Gulfside Center for Hospice Care at Heather Hill has 6 beds in private rooms available for patient care.

Gulfside Center for Hospice Care

5299 Deer Park Drive
New Port Richey, FL 34653

Opening in 2025, our newest Care Center will have 24 private home-like rooms.



Contact Us

Questions? Contact us for more information about our inpatient care centers or any other Gulfside program.

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Inpatient Care Centers

*Acute care with
the comfort of home*

The highest level of care with a gentle touch

Gulfside Hospice has two Centers for Hospice Care in Pasco County providing the highest level of care to patients who need acute care around the clock. Every room is designed to provide a home-like environment and specialized nursing care for patients. The Centers are not just nursing facilities, but are furnished like a private home with warm, traditional furniture and extra space for visiting family members -- including beloved pets.

The Gulfside Centers for Hospice Care are staffed with nurses 24 hours a day. While at these locations, patients receive regular visits from physicians, social workers, chaplains and volunteers. Since our doors are always open, visitors are allowed at the Centers any time. You can schedule a tour of either location at any time by calling 800-561-4883.



About our Care Centers

Who is eligible?

Patients admitted to Gulfside's inpatient care centers typically have uncontrolled symptoms, such as:

- Pain
- Nausea
- Trouble Breathing
- Anxiety/Restlessness
- Hallucinations

Our Centers for Hospice Care are not intended for long-term stays, but rather as a better option for patients who need higher level care and the constant presence of care staff while their symptoms are managed.

Types of Care Provided

Our care centers are able to provide:

- Compassionate extubations, to allow for families to gather and have the space and privacy they need during this difficult time
- Clinical care for acute pain control and symptom management
- Weaning of non-invasive ventilation (such as cpap and biPAP) and short-term ventilation support
- Completion of antibiotics
- Respite care, when caregivers need time to rest while their loved one is cared for
- Medication management & lowering oxygen levels to eventually remove ventilation for maximum comfort

Returning to Routine Level of Care

When your loved one no longer requires the highest care level, they will be ready to move back home.

- Your family will be notified of the level of care change. Our Patient Navigation Specialist will assist with a discharge plan appropriate for your loved one to return home, to private care, to a skilled nursing facility, or to an assisted living facility
- The care team will order any equipment needed such as hospital bed, over the bed table, wheelchair, etc.
- Medications will be ordered for the patient.
- Transportation will be arranged. After discharge, we maintain a continuity of care through our field team.

