



## Children's Palliative Care Team

The link between hospital care and care at home

Kinder Comfort Teams



## What is a Children's Palliative Care Team?

A Children's Palliative Care Team (CPC-Team) supports families with a child who has an incurable illness and requires (medical) care at home or in the hospital. The CPC-Team is also there for involved healthcare professionals. In this way, the team contributes to your child's quality of life and ensures good care.

### **The link between hospital and home**

A CPC-Team connects the care your child receives in the hospital with the care at home. This multi-disciplinary team consists of various healthcare professionals, each with their own area of expertise, such as pediatric nurses, pediatricians, psychologists and child life specialists. By joining forces, they learn from and with each other. Working together helps avoid unnecessary hospital admissions and enables professionals to provide your child with the best possible care.

### **Understanding what's needed**

The professionals in a CPC-Team have extensive knowledge and experience in caring for seriously ill children. They work closely with the treating physician, general practitioner and pediatric home care providers. They understand what is needed once your child comes home. What care needs to be arranged? What kind of support your family might benefit from? Together, you'll explore the answers.

### **Support for the whole family**

A CPC-Team is not only there for the child who needs care, but also for you as a parent, and for any siblings. The team supports the entire family, from diagnosis through to possible aftercare.



## What can a Children's Palliative Care Team do for you?

A CPC-Team helps parents of seriously ill children with:

### Finding the right care, now and later

Together we explore what kind of care suits your child and your family, now and in the future. We look at medical care, but we also have important discussions about other aspects of family life:

- **Psychological** (feelings and thoughts)
- **Social** (relationships with family and friends)
- **Educational** (parenting and schooling)
- **Spiritual** (how your family approaches life)

We look at what is needed now and plan ahead together. Advance care planning helps tailor care to your family's situation, wishes and values. We discuss medical decisions and what they may mean for your child and the rest of the family. We explore how you view the future and what you do or do not want for your child. By taking time to reflect on these questions early on, we can offer the best possible care, even when circumstances change.

## **Coordination between professionals and an individual care plan**

The CPC-Team connects with the necessary care providers and supplies the general practitioner, pediatric home care, and other involved organisations with an individual care plan, created in consultation with the family.

## **Arranging practical matters and necessary care**

Where needed, the CPC-Team helps organise practical matters related to the transition from hospital to home, and ensures that appropriate care is in place at home or another location. This always takes your child's and family's needs and preferences into account. The CPC-Team helps you arrange care in the best possible way.

For more information, helpful links, and a short video about the Children's Palliative Care Teams, visit: [www.kinderpalliatief.nl/ondersteuning/kinder-comfort-teams](http://www.kinderpalliatief.nl/ondersteuning/kinder-comfort-teams).



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## Your Children's Palliative Care Team

### **Are you looking for support for your child and family?**

Contact the Children's Palliative Care Team (CPC-Team) at the University Medical Center (hospital) where your child is receiving treatment, or get in touch with a team in your region. Is your child not being treated at a University Medical Center (hospital) or at the Princess Máxima Center for Pediatric Oncology? You or your child's pediatrician can still contact a nearby CPC-Team.

### **Are you a professional wanting to refer a family to a CPC-Team, or do you have questions about the medical care of one of your patients, or maybe you are looking for advice?**

Children's Palliative Care Teams also support healthcare professionals both inside and outside the hospital. Get in touch with a CPC-Team.

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