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Demystifying Hospice: Inside the Stories of Patients and Caregivers



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Many wait until their last few days to demand this extraordinary comfort care instead of using the full half a year open to them through Medicare and additional insurance options. People frequently do not avail themselves of hospice treatment because they don't know very well what it entails. Hospice treatment is available to patients and families coping with terminal illness. Demystifying Hospice describes through stories very good news about end-of-life issues. Written from the perspective of a licensed social worker with experience in public and private hospitals, hospice, and the American Malignancy Society, these first-hands accounts of sufferers, family members, hospice workers and others will lift spirits, contact hearts, and illustrate the advantages of hospice care. Each tale addresses some facet of helping families through the caregiving and grieving process, which are part-and-parcel of a serious illness, and offers convenience and understanding to readers who may be going right through similar experiences. These are real-life examples of personalized comfort treatment, offered by an interdisciplinary team, where ever the individual lives. This reserve describes hope, curing, and support through difficult times.



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