

Welcome to the **July 2022** edition of the *Transitions Vibe*—a monthly briefing filled with Transitions updates, industry news, and information for those who trust <u>Transitions</u> to provide hospice and palliative care services for their patients and residents.



## It's about living.

<u>Submit a referral</u> or <u>contact us</u> at 877-726-6494 to discuss how we provide the tools and resources to assist patients and families through the physical, emotional, and spiritual challenges of life's final transitions. <u>Visit our website to learn more.</u>

## July 2022: Hospice News Feature



#### Hospice Operators Watching Closely As Large Payers Transform the Industry

"The growing presence of large insurance companies in the hospice and home health provider space could be transformative for the industry." Learn more while reading some thoughts from Transitions CEO and founder, Jim Palazzo, on upcoming changes and opportunities in the hospice industry. As we move forward, Transitions continues to prioritize patient focused, high quality care for our patients and families.

Check out the Hospice News article and interview with Jim here >>

## Partner Spotlight: End Well



#### The Time to Talk About Death Is Now

Transitions Care believes that every human deserves individualized care, personalized to reflect their own needs, values, and end of life wishes. "A study from the Kaiser Family Foundation and The Economist found that nearly 80 percent of people have thought about their wishes at the end of life, but fewer than 20 percent actually discussed those wishes with

their healthcare provider." Aditi Mallick, MD, Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine at the George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences, shares this story with the <u>End Well</u> team, highlighting this very important topic of discussion.



"When it was time for our Mother to enter end of life care, the Doctors and other caregivers gave us names of companies that manage the process for patients like my mother. We interviewed 3 companies, and Mom selected Transitions because their employees were attentive to her wants and needs, and we had excellent references from friends who had used Transitions for their loved ones. Our Mom had great physical and emotional care from the moment she said yes until she passed away weeks later. The communication with our family was terrific, and has continued even after Mom's passing. I highly recommend Transitions."

### -Family of Transitions Patient



## Let's Talk Grief



#### "How Teenagers Cry for Help"

#### by Joe Agnello, Transitions Bereavement Coordinator

About 6% of 16-year-olds have lost a parent and 5% a sibling. 60-70% have lost a grandparent or other relative. "Research informs us that teens tend to suppress or deny their emotions more than children." Joe Agnello, Bereavement Coordinator at Transitions, explains how we can guide teenagers with effective communication to help them express their thoughts, as

well as ways we can provide them with relief when grieving.



Read from Joe about about how to help teenagers when grieving >>



At Transitions, our team provides a holistic treatment approach to address both medical and psychosocial needs, including symptom management, counseling and community service support. Learn more or submit a referral today.

## **Transitions News and Events**





## A Birthday to Remember



Eduardo is an exchange student from Spain, hosted by **Emily Chance** (Regional Manager of Business Development at Transitions), and it is his first time in America!

For his birthday on 7/1, **Dacia Keim** (VP of Operations in IL) and **Kristine Taylor** (Regional VP of operations in Northern IL) got together with other nurses in fun blow up animal costumes to surprise him with his own birthday celebration!

Northwest Rescue Emergency Services also helped by leading a birthday parade with lights and sirens!

"I just think it's amazing how our staff and other local health care workers go above and beyond to do acts of kindness!" -Emily Chance

WE HOPE YOU HAD A VERY SPECIAL BIRTHDAY, EDUARDO!!! (Click to view post on Facebook)

## **Grief Workshops with Joe**

FREE zoom sessions for anyone grieving the loss of a loved one - parent, spouse, sibling, friend. Employees also invited! Hosted each month by **Joe Agnello**, **Bereavement Coordinator** at Transitions.

Please share with anyone in need! •

Next session: Accepting and Understanding Grief Thursday, August 25 at 2PM



**RSVP** with Joe Agnello for your Zoom link: imigagnello@transitionscare.com

## **More Fun Activities in the Transitions Community**







#### TIKI BAR VILLAS OF HOLLY BROOK





#### CNA WEEK LUNCH TRANSITIONS CARE





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