Wage Hope is the rallying cry of the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network. It is our charge to accelerate progress in the fight against pancreatic cancer — no matter what it takes. We are here so no one has to face a pancreatic cancer diagnosis alone, and we will never surrender in our pursuit to change the course of this disease.

PATIENT SERVICES

We Wage Hope with free comprehensive services individualized for each pancreatic cancer patient. We connect each patient or family member with a highly educated, expertly trained and compassionate Patient Central staff member who provides information about the disease, treatment options, clinical trials, diet and nutrition, Know Your Tumor® precision medicine service and much more.

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

We Wage Hope through research that has the greatest potential to achieve breakthroughs. We fund talented investigators conducting innovative research. We seek to grow the number of researchers dedicated to pancreatic cancer and foster collaboration across disciplines and institutions — with the goal of improving patient outcomes and extending survival.

GOVERNMENT ADVOCACY

We Wage Hope with a strong presence in Washington, D.C., and relentless grassroots advocacy. We advocate aggressively for more federal support for pancreatic cancer research by working year-round with elected officials. Our annual Advocacy Day efforts on Capitol Hill reinforce this urgent funding need.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

We Wage Hope by motivating a national network of volunteers. Through volunteer-led events like PurpleStride®, our volunteers not only raise awareness for pancreatic cancer but also raise much-needed funds to support the mission of the organization. Throughout their communities, our volunteers also share information about our patient services, garner ongoing media attention and alert their elected officials about the urgent need to fund pancreatic cancer research.

ABOUT THIS BOOKLET

This booklet provides an overview of what hospice is, how it works and what types of services are offered. It also includes topics for patients and their loved ones to discuss so that they can plan and make informed decisions about end-of-life care. This booklet is written for both pancreatic cancer patients who are facing end of life and their loved ones.

This booklet discusses many different aspects of hospice and end-of-life care. While learning about these issues may be difficult, having this information will help you and your loved ones make the best decisions for your situation. The profound emotions that come with thinking about end of life are not discussed at length. If you feel overwhelmed by the information presented or if you would like help with emotional aspects, talk to someone you trust, such as a family member, friend, healthcare team member, social worker, faith-based advisor or mental health professional. Help is available, and you do not have to face these decisions alone.

To find a professional in your area who can help, contact the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network's Patient Central toll-free at 877-2-PANCAN or email **patientcentral@pancan.org**. Patient Central is available Monday – Friday, 7 a.m. – 5 p.m. Pacific Time.

Since most hospice care is provided at home, this booklet discusses the role of caregivers who are providing care in a home setting. The terms "family" and "loved ones" represent all of the people that care about the patient, including relatives, spouses, partners, children and friends. The term "caregiver" refers to whoever is providing most of a patient's day-to-day care, whether that person is a spouse, partner, child, sibling, relative, friend or privately hired person.

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