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Hospice palliative care provides comfort and quality of life care for people living with life limiting illness and their families. The focus is on comfort care, such as pain control, rather than aimed at curing illness. Hospices are available to people in the last few months of life. They are meant to feel more like a home than a hospital.

Vancouver Hospice Society provides end-of-life care in their eight-bed hospice located on Granville Street. This care is provided by a skilled team of doctors, nurses, care aides and counsellors. They are dedicated to ensuring the end of life experience is as peaceful as possible. Counselling and bereavement supports are also available to those who have lost a loved one.

Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH) has a contract with the Vancouver Hospice Society to deliver hospice services in Vancouver. Beds are regularly utilized and vacancies rarely occur as this is a needed resource. Relocation of the services, even for a time, would be very challenging and disruptive to patients, families and staff.

With reference to health impacts for hospice patients and family members during construction, we hope that the development would cooperate with the Society to ensure there are no interruptions to utilities such as water, power & sewer and that visitors, delivery and emergency vehicles maintain access to the site at all times. It will be important to minimize disruptions to patient care and hospice operations.

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