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Pediatric Concurrent Hospice

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Experienced Child Life Specialist Board-Certified Music Therapist with specializing certificates in hospice and palliative care and NICU music therapy.

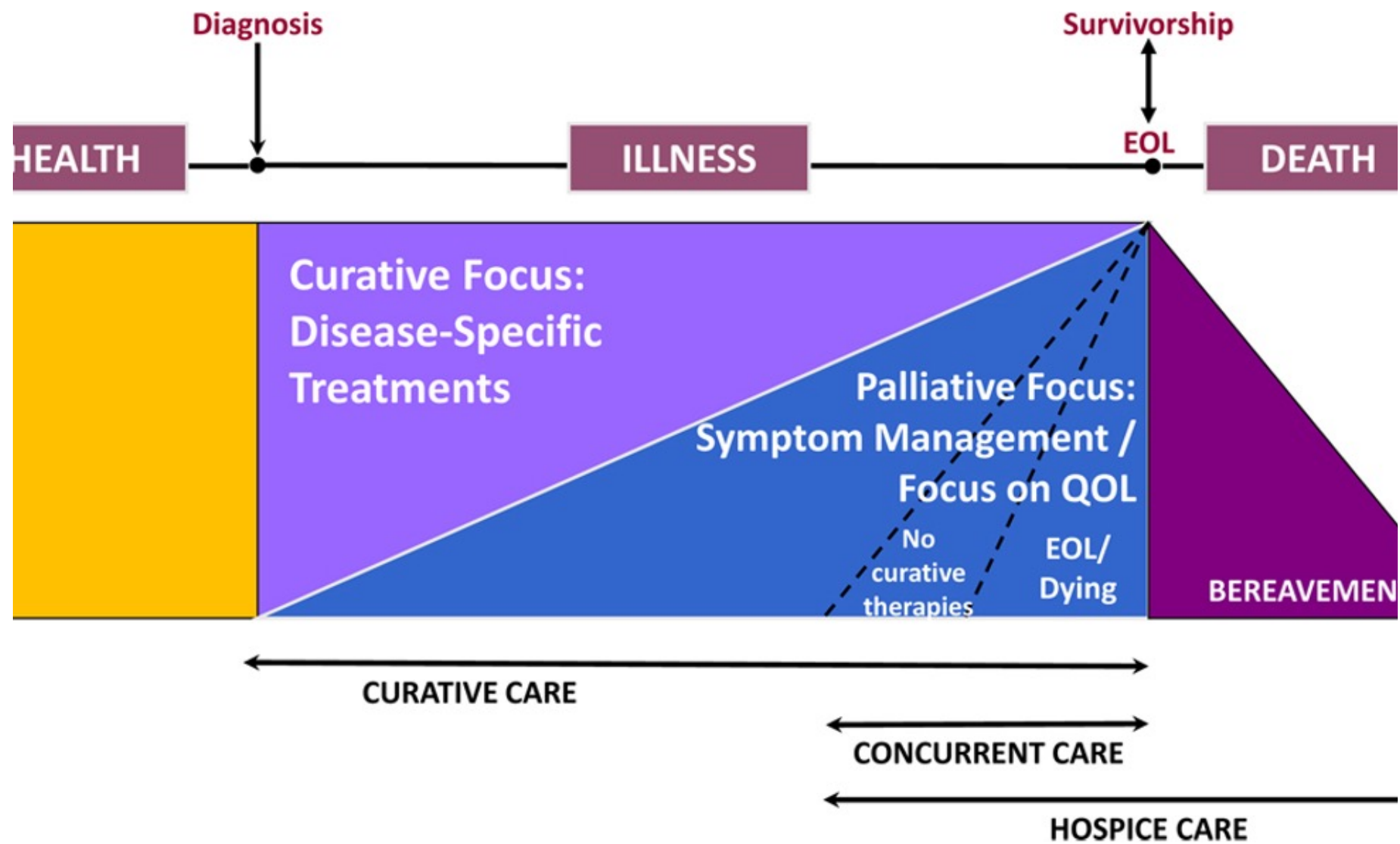
Current Director, Pediatric Care with ADC of ~ 80 pediatric patients under a concurrent model of care. Specialist in program development, management, and coordination for pediatric hospice, palliative, and concurrent care through ACA Section 2302. Previous member of The Pediatric Advisory Council and currently sits on the Pediatric E-Journal committee with The National Alliance for Care at Home (formerly NHPCO).





Concurrent Care

“Concurrent care allows select disease-directed therapies to facilitate transitions to hospice, with the aim of promoting goal-concordant care. In collaboration with specialists, hospices oversee treatment plans, which are adapted to meet patient goals. Concurrent care may act as a bridge for patients and families, allowing them to begin hospice services without fully stopping treatment that they have come to depend on for prolonging life.” (JAMA, 2023)



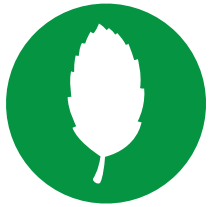
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Sustainability

Payors and Partnership



Medicaid, Tricare, Kaiser, Private Insurance through established criteria



Partnerships with hospitals, private duty agencies, DME companies, insurance case managers, and specialists/PCP



Popular models include a conversion-based model vs concurrent care model



Mutually beneficial financial benefit through the inclusion of a hospice team in the home in prevention

