

**Home care
for seriously
ill children**



Pediatric palliative
home care service



Life acquires special meaning and quality through pediatric palliative care

Who we are?

In 2010, MERIMNA a non-profit organization for the care of children and families in illness and death, developed the only Pediatric Palliative Home Care Service in Greece.

Pediatric Palliative Care is a holistic approach of care, for children with life-limiting or life-threatening conditions, addressing their physical, psychological, social and spiritual needs. Its primary goals are to enhance the quality of life for the child and family and to promote a life with dignity that is lived to the fullest.

MERIMNA (which means "care" in Greek), collaborates with various units of pediatric hospitals in Athens to provide families with the option of home care when therapeutic treatment fails resulting in the child's acute or chronic deterioration.

What services do we provide?

- Medical and nursing care to alleviate suffering
- Psychological support for the child, siblings, parents, and other family members
- Social support for the family
- Spiritual support from a chaplain at the request of the family
- Collaboration with schools to support teachers and classmates
- Bereavement support for the family through individual counseling or participation in support groups

All services are free of charge and offered by an interdisciplinary team comprised of pediatricians, nurses, a psychologist, and a social worker who collaborate with other professionals to meet the unique needs of each family.



When time is running out,
love is offered in abundance

What are the benefits of Palliative Home Care?

- Improved quality of life for children who can live with dignity at home in the presence of beloved family members
- Parents' active participation in the care of their child through the appropriate guidance and support from the palliative care team
- Individualized support for each member of the family
- Creation of meaningful memories, helping families to adapt through bereavement

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...so that every
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have access to palliative
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