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Leading Healthcare Organization Expanding Hospice Volunteers *National Volunteer Week is April 12-18, 2015*

Hyannis, Mass. – During National Volunteer Week, HopeHealth is focused on growing its base of dedicated hospice volunteers, seeking out those who want to make a lasting difference in the lives of patients and their families. HopeHealth is a non-profit multi-service healthcare organization providing medical care, care management and support services to people with serious illness throughout eastern Massachusetts.

National Volunteer Week, April 12-18, 2015, is about inspiring, recognizing and encouraging people to seek out imaginative ways to engage in their communities. National Volunteer Week is about taking action and encouraging individuals and their respective communities to be at the center of social change — discovering and actively demonstrating their collective power to make a difference.

Hope Hospice volunteers consistently report tremendous satisfaction from serving in this capacity, enriching the lives of others while reaping personal rewards. “I’ve received so much great training as part of my volunteer experience at Hope Hospice. I’ve learned the types of things everyone should be aware of at this important time so I can truly help others going through it,” said Peachy Fitzgerald, a volunteer since 1999. “It’s so gratifying.”

There are a wide range of volunteer opportunities available to match specialized expertise, unique talents and interest in caring for others. Some of the opportunities include:

- Patient and family care and support
- Reiki
- Massage
- Pet therapy
- Veteran support

All volunteers participate in a comprehensive training program.

To learn more, contact (508) 957-0280, download an application form at HopeHealthCo.org or email Volunteers@HopeHealthCo.org for information.

About [HopeHealth](http://HopeHealthCo.org)

HopeHealth, formerly known as Hospice & Palliative Care of Cape Cod, has been enhancing the quality of life for people experiencing serious illness and loss for more than 30 years. Today, the non-profit organization delivers a wide range of medical care, care management and support services throughout eastern Massachusetts. The HopeHealth family of services includes: Hope Hospice; Hope HouseCalls; Hope Dementia & Alzheimer's Services; Hope Care for Kids; Hope Community Care; and Hope Academy. In June 2014, the Massachusetts Pain Initiative affiliated with the organization. Learn more by calling (800) 642-2423 or visiting HopeHealthCo.org.

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