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Comfort from the Heart Family Program

Southwest, Michigan, March 5, 2007 - Facing a life-limiting illness or the imminent death of a loved one is not easy. Knowing how you can make the most of those last days can be one of the most loving gestures you and your family can share.

Learn how hospice care can improve the quality of life for patients and families. Hospice at Home, Inc. and Lakeland Regional Health System Health Resource Library invites the public to Comfort from the Heart. This one hour program provides information about the team approach of hospice care, introduces the local hospice team members, dispels myths regarding hospice care, provides insight on the new palliative care program, and acquaints participants with the free resource materials available at the Health Resource Library.

The free program, Comfort from the Heart, takes place on Tuesday, March 13, from 6 to 7 p.m. at the Health Resource Library at Lakeland's Center for Outpatient Services, 3776 Hollywood Road, St. Joseph. Free refreshments will be available.

"Over and over again, families tell us that they wish they would have learned about hospice care sooner," states Cathy Berk, Hospice at Home, Inc. Community Relations Representative. "This program addresses this need and gives families the tools they need to make the right decisions."

Hospice at Home, Inc. provides holistic quality care for individuals with life-limiting illness and their families in the counties of Berrien, Cass, Van Buren, and Allegan. The care is coordinated by a team of physicians, nurses, aides, social workers, spiritual care counselors, bereavement coordinators, and trained

volunteers. Hospice at Home, Inc. also cares for families at Lory's Place, a bereavement and education center that builds hope and strength for every grieving family.

For more information about Comfort from the Heart or hospice care contact Hospice at Home, Inc. at 269-429-7100 or 1-800-717-3811; or go to www.hospiceathome.org.

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