

Arroyo Grande Community Hospital French Hospital Medical Center Marian Regional Medical Center

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Dignity Health Hospice Seeking Volunteers Varied types of volunteer opportunities available for all ages

SANTA MARIA, March 5, 2015 – Dignity Health Hospice is seeking volunteers from throughout the Central Coast to help in our mission to provide compassionate and supportive end-of-life care to patients and their loved ones.

Dignity Health Hospice is a team of health care professionals who work together to care for and support patients and their families with a life-limiting illness. This care is provided where the patient resides, and aims to help the patient maintain the highest quality of life possible.

As a hospice volunteer, you will have an opportunity to make an important difference in the lives of our patients and their loved ones. Hospice volunteers are needed in Lompoc, Santa Maria, Arroyo Grande, San Luis Obispo, and the Atascadero area. Volunteers of all ages are welcome, and are needed for office support, and especially in-home companionship. Some of these opportunities include socialization, music enjoyment, arts and crafts, massage therapy, and pet therapy. Volunteers are also sought to simply sit with and be a compassionate presence for the patients and their loved ones.

Hospice volunteer training is provided, and is flexible to accommodate different schedules. For more information on volunteering with Dignity Health Hospice, please call: 739.3830 ext. 2061.

About Dignity Health Hospice

Dignity Health Hospice serves the Central Coast and is part of the comprehensive network of Dignity Health hospitals, providing premier care and services, and all recognized for quality, safety and service. Each hospital is supported by an active philanthropic foundation to help meet the growing health care needs of our communities. For more information, visit: <u>www.arroyograndehospital.org</u>; <u>www.frenchmedicalcenter.org</u>; <u>www.marianmedicalcenter.org</u>. Dignity Health Hospice can be found at each web site.

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