PERINATAL HOSPICE

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SOUTH DAKOTA PROVIDERS
PERINATAL HOSPICE AGENCIES

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Sanford SHARE Chapter
nationalshare.org/

REFERENCES:
1. perinatalhospice.org
2. Charlotte Lozier Institute: https://lozierinstitute.org/the-perinatal-hospice

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WHAT IS PERINATAL LOSS?
Perinatal loss is the loss of an infant’s life any time from conception up to one year of age, regardless of the reason.

WHAT IS PERINATAL HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE?
Perinatal hospice and palliative care is comprehensive, supportive care given to a pregnant mother and her family, beginning with the diagnosis of a lethal fetal anomaly and continuing through the birth and resultant death of the child.

Hospice and palliative care provide counseling and medical care by maternal-fetal medical specialists, obstetricians, neonatologists, anesthesia specialists, specialty nurses, clergy, social workers, and others who are focused on alleviating fear and ensuring that the mother and her family experience the life and death of the child in a comfortable and supportive environment.

OUR BABY HAS BEEN GIVEN A FATAL DIAGNOSIS, NOW WHAT?
When a fatal diagnosis is received, you should seek support to include care planning and counseling. A perinatal hospice or palliative care provider can assist you through this difficult time. Each situation is different and is based upon the diagnosis and other medical factors. You should discuss your particular situation in depth with your physician.

SERVICES MAY BE OFFERED THROUGH PERINATAL HOSPICE OR PALLIATIVE CARE
- Prenatal support – emotional, spiritual, and medical
- Support groups for parents, siblings and others
- Guidance in working with medical specialists
- Childbirth education and preparation
- Personalized birth planning
- Hospital discharge coordination
- Assistance in creating memories
- Assistance with memorial service and funerals
- Emotional and bereavement support
- Pain management for baby, if necessary

FIND A PERINATAL HOSPICE OR PALLIATIVE CARE PROVIDER
Most hospitals can provide resources for perinatal hospice and palliative care. Community-based hospice or palliative care programs can also offer the support you need.

Medical assistance benefits may be available for prenatal care, childbirth, and perinatal hospice.

GRIEF SUPPORT
2-1-1 is a free and confidential service that helps South Dakotans find the local resources they need such as grief counseling and other human services. The service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. To reach assistance, dial 211 from a phone or visit https://www.helplinecenter.org/2-1-1-community-resources/