

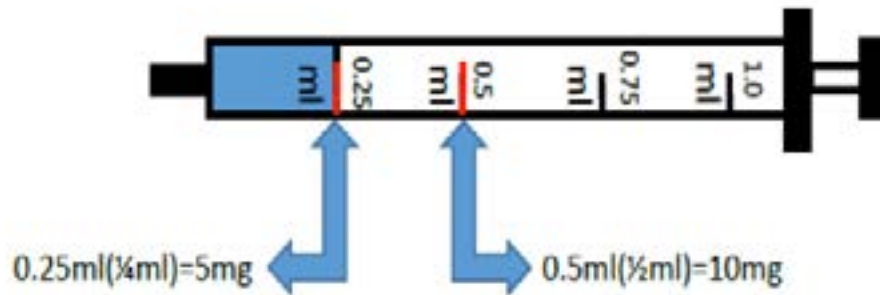
# Comfort Care Medication Kit

Your hospice team will provide you with a comfort care medication kit to keep at home, which will help manage symptoms in a timely manner. This kit contains small amounts of different medicines to treat symptoms that may occur toward the end of life.

Information about dosage, instructions for administering, and which symptoms the medications help to treat can be found both on this site and in your hospice binder, although call hospice before using any of the medications.

## Hospice Comfort Care Medication Kit and Usage Instructions

**IMPORTANT:** Before using any of the kit medications, call hospice.



A one-millimeter syringe

Medication	What It's For	How to Take
<b>Morphine Oral Solution</b>  (see image above)	A concentrated liquid medication used for pain and/or shortness of breath. Concentrated so only a small dosage is needed. A one-milliliter syringe (1.0 ml) without a needle (see image above) is included.	Can be swallowed or given under the tongue.  If swallowed, can be diluted in a small amount of fluid (water or juice) or given in soft food (pudding or applesauce)
<b>Ativan tablet</b>	Commonly used for anxiety, agitation, insomnia, seizures, and shortness of breath	May be swallowed or given under the tongue
<b>Haldol oral solution</b>	Commonly used for nausea, vomiting and/or agitation	May be swallowed or given under the tongue
<b>Atropine solution</b>	Commonly used for increased secretions  Note: <i>Do not give in eye</i>	Given under the tongue
<b>Phenobarbital tablets</b>	Commonly used for agitation and/or seizures	May be swallowed or given rectall
<b>Bisacodyl suppository</b>	Commonly used for constipation	Given rectally
<b>Acetaminophen suppository</b>	Commonly used for fever and/or mild pain	Given rectally

Medication	What It's For	How to Take
Lubricant	For ease of use for rectal administration of medications	For rectal use

**Please do not use any medication in the comfort care medication kit until instructed to do so by your hospice team.** If you have any questions regarding the comfort care medication kit, call your hospice team, day or night.

Your hospice nurse will check your comfort kit regularly for expiration dates and to make sure you have the right medications with the correct quantity.