

TRANSITION  
TO HOSPICE AS INDIVIDUAL AS YOUR PATIENTS





A sunset over a beach with a cliffside town in the background. The sky is filled with dark, dramatic clouds, and the sun is low on the horizon, casting a golden glow. The beach is wet, reflecting the colors of the sky. In the distance, a cliffside town is visible, with some lights on. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

## AT THE END OF LIFE, YOUR PATIENTS CAN HAVE

They are your patients. They trust you with their lives.

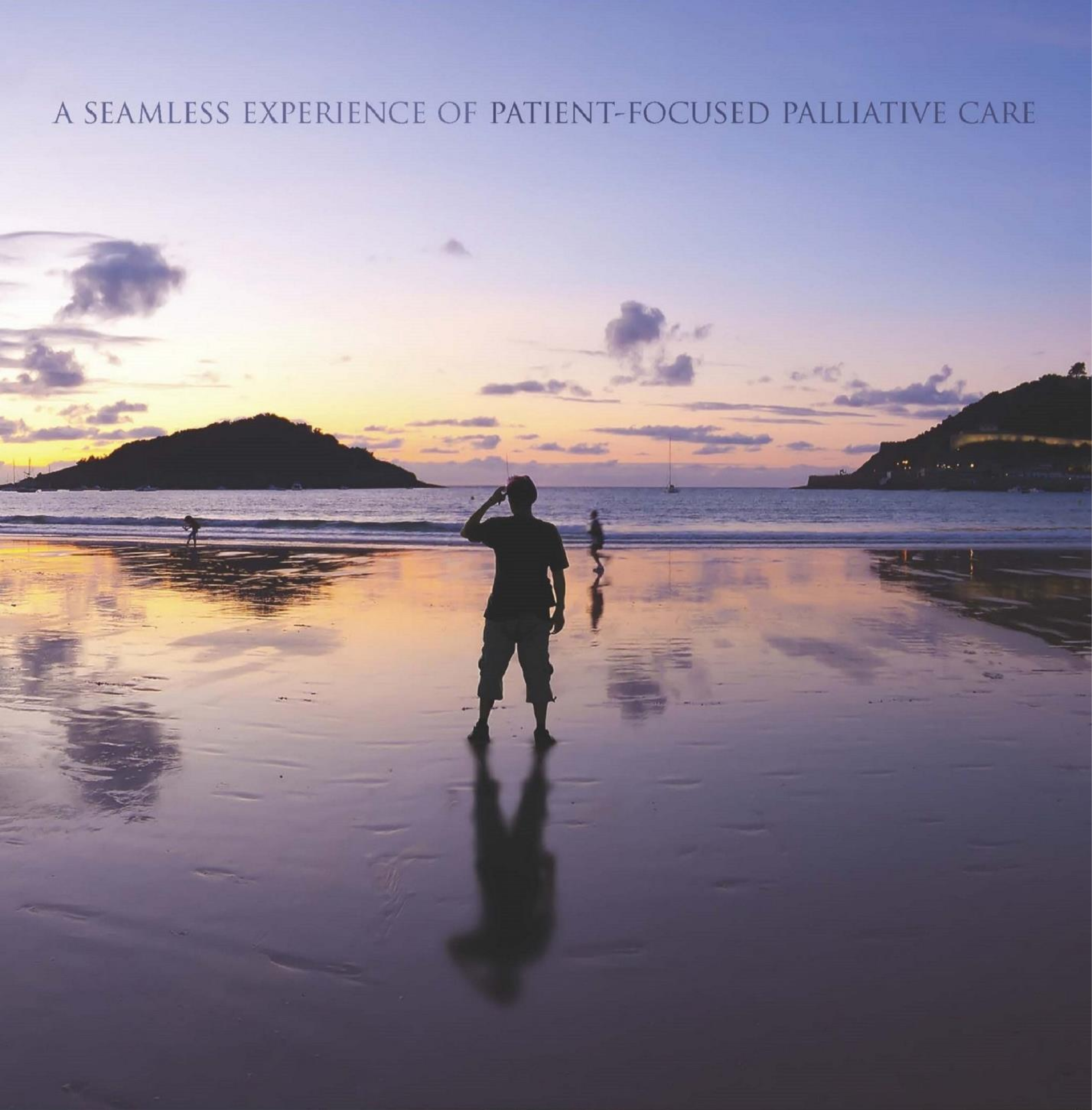
You have to know them to care for them. And you know them to be unique in themselves, in the lives they live, their families and histories.

You've committed all of your knowledge and skill to their health, their whole health. And you don't often think of their lives as existing within a time window that comes to an end. Until a diagnosis makes it necessary.

Then it's time to place the trust they've given you in the hands of someone you can trust.



A SEAMLESS EXPERIENCE OF PATIENT-FOCUSED PALLIATIVE CARE





# WE STRIVE TO MAKE THE FINAL TRANSITION IN EACH THEIR EARLIEST MEMORIES OF A MOTHER'S TOUCH.

As a physician, you know the value of connecting with your patients as individuals. The quality of care you provide is enriched and informed by the relationship you build with your patients. At Mother's Touch, we believe that personal engagement with each patient is even more critical during the end-stage of life.

Wichita-based Mother's Touch founders **Mike and Patty Nicholas** have many years of experience delivering palliative care and managing hospice operations. Under their guidance, **Mother's Touch has been awarded "Deemed" status, the highest level of accreditation awarded by The Joint Commission.** We are currently the only hospice to receive this recognition in Sedgwick County.

Mother's Touch caregivers are professionals, but not just in palliative nursing. They are professionals in the surpassing empathy it takes to truly ease the passing of a human life. They choose to be there at the bedside and there with grief-stricken families because they have a gift and a passion for facilitating a dignified, compassionate end-of-life transition.

This is their calling, to provide a passing as comforting, as life affirming, as a Mother's Touch.



Mike & Patty  
Nicholas





PATIENT'S LIFE AS COMFORTING AND REASSURING AS





WE DEEPLY RESPECT THE EXPERIENCE OUR REFERRING PHYSICIANS HAVE AND ENCOURAGE YOU TO PARTNER WITH US IN YOUR PATIENTS' END-OF





## WITH THEIR PATIENTS -LIFE CARE.

As undeniably traumatic as the transition into a life-limiting prognosis can be for your patient, your relationship with your patients and their families inevitably goes through a transition, too. You have been their partner in maintaining their health. Now you have to help them cope with an utterly different and potentially overwhelming reality.



The hospice team at Mother's Touch can work with you to make the end-of-life transition as beneficial as possible for everyone involved. Our experience with the process has taught us the most helpful, effective ways to communicate with patients and their families during this most stressful time in their lives. **We consult with our referring physicians, providing valuable guidance on how to discuss a life-limiting diagnosis with your patients.** We can provide as much support as you desire in introducing the need for hospice to your patient.

Just as we give you the benefit of our experience, **we also spend a lot of time up front learning from you about your patient.** We do a thorough audit of each patient's condition and the care you have ordered for them before we visit with the patient and family members. We listen to your concerns for your patient, and carefully orchestrate the logistics of ensuring your continued involvement in their care, if you want to follow them. We can also provide detailed reports on the status of your patient.

Simply put, we respect your relationship with your patients and consider your trust an honor our service will earn.





# OUR PROTOCOL FOR CARE IS PATIENT-DRIVEN. JOB 1 IS TO HEAR THE PATIENT. JOB 3 IS TO SURROUND THE PATIENT

As individually as we live our lives, the way our life ends is also unique. Our experience of the end of life is a complex tapestry of medical, emotional and even spiritual dynamics. As full-service, 24/7 hospice providers, our goal is to uphold the dignity and surpassing worth of every one of our patients through the uncompromised quality of the care we provide.

**We form a team around each patient, based on a thorough evaluation of their needs.** A hospice-experienced RN serves as the Case Manager, directing the overall care plan. A Home Health Aide provides bedside support in accordance with the patient's needs. A Licensed Clinical Social Worker helps the patient and family navigate the turbulent socioeconomic waters that can often engulf us as our lives are coming to a close. A Chaplain is available to the patient at their request and to the family before and after the passing of their loved one to provide spiritual support in their time of grief.

**Throughout the hospice experience, the Mother's Touch team is constantly communicating** with the patient, the family and the referring physician. From medication management to nutrition to personal care and companionship, we give our patients the full benefit of our best-practices experience. But we also never stop listening and responding to the unique needs and priorities of each patient and their family.





RESPECT THE PATIENT. JOB 2 IS TO  
WITH RESPONSIVE CARE.





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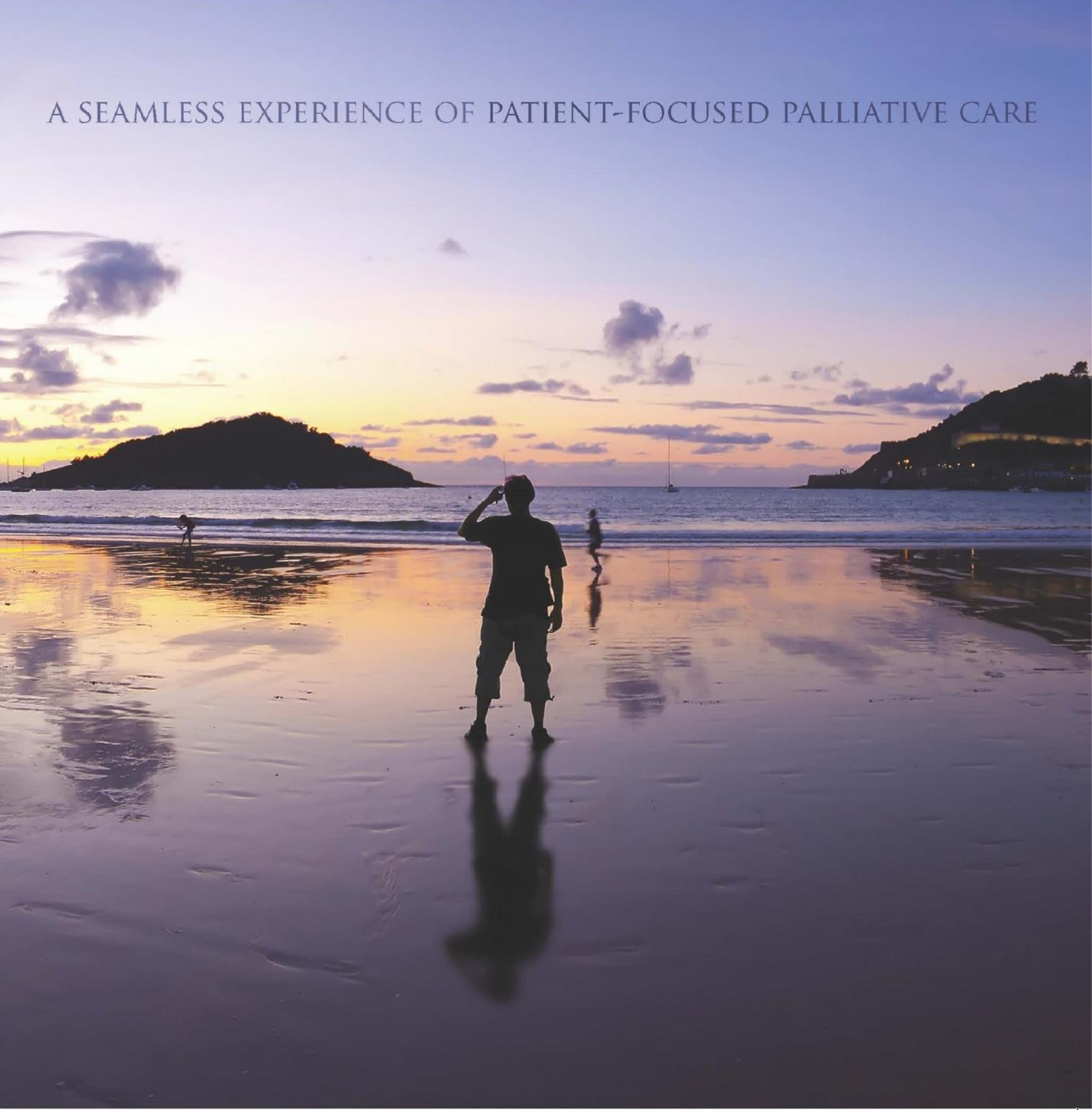
*The passing of a human being should call on those of us who attend it to extend the very best of our own humanity, our strength, our compassion, our selflessness and our love...all the qualities that are conveyed in the foundational experience of a Mother's Touch.*



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THAT'S CONTINUOUS WITH YOUR OWN.

Mother's Touch is an experienced hospice provider and end-of-life care consultant. We are dedicated to working with our referring physicians to provide a seamless continuum of care. One that is worthy of your patients, the years of care you have given them and the fully comforted experience you want them to have.



*Confronting our own mortality is not something we can adequately prepare for. Though it is an experience we all share in common, it can feel as though we are suddenly isolated from all the life around us. What we need most, in the end, is connection. The same warmth and reassurance that reached out to us in our earliest moments, in the form of a Mother's Touch.*







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