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Are you living with life-limiting illness?

Are you a carer, family member, friend or neighbour of someone who is living with life-limiting illness?

We can help with questions like:

- How could palliative care help the person I support?
- Where can I find information about being a carer?
- How do I find the right palliative care service?
- What can I do to relieve my pain? My nausea? My breathlessness?
- What do I need to think about and plan for?
- How do I talk with my healthcare provider about palliative care?

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- Prescribing
- Converting medications from oral to injectable
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