

Hospice services are now commonly available in most urban communities. However, recently there has been increased pressure to move to in-home hospice care programs, primarily in response to budget cuts to health care (Brown-Smith, 2018; Olivier & Randall, 2020). My objective in this paper is to evaluate the similarities and differences between in-home and residential hospice care systems. I will focus my comparison first on the nature of the services provided, then the outcomes in terms of both patient and family experiences, and, finally, the mediating factors that affect outcomes. Both in-home and residential hospice care programs offer critical medical and psychosocial support to patients and families (Odondo, 2018; Salwerth & Grismondi, 2019); however, I will argue that those patients with hands on support from family and friends experience increased quality of life, autonomy, and sense of well-being by staying in their own homes.

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