



# Comfort

## Symptoms Other Than Pain

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### Definitions

<b>Anuria</b>	No urinary output.
<b>Asthenia</b>	Loss or lack of physical strength; weakness; debility.
<b>Behavioral pain dimension</b>	Dimension that focuses on actions or behaviors exhibited by people in pain.
<b>Cachexia</b>	A general lack of nutrition, weight loss and muscle wasting occurring in the course of a chronic disease or emotional disturbance.
<b>Cheyne-stokes breathing</b>	rhythmic waxing and waning of respiratory depth with regularly recurring apnea, seen in coma
<b>Comfort</b>	Emphasizing physical and psychological support or relief throughout the patient's end of life.
<b>Death rattle</b>	
<b>Dyspnea</b>	Shortness of breath, a subjective difficulty or distress in breathing, usually associated with disease of the heart or lungs.
<b>Euthanasia</b>	A general term derived from the Greek eu, well, + thanatos, death, or "good death." Currently used broadly to refer to the act of causing a painless death for a person or animal.
<b>Kussmaul respiration</b>	Air hunger, distressing dyspnea occurring in paroxysms (sudden recurrence or intensification of symptom).
<b>Oliguria</b>	Diminished urinary output compared to fluid intake, less than 400 cc per day.
<b>Signs of death</b>	Cessation of heart beat and respiration, pupils fixed and dilated, no response to stimuli, eyelids open without blinking, decreasing body temperature, jaw relaxed and slightly open, body color is a waxy pallor.
<b>Terminal sedation</b>	Sedation for intractable distress in the dying.