



JUNGLE FRIENDS
PRIMATE SANCTUARY

Hospice Philosophy and Euthanasia Policy

We provide the monkeys in our care the opportunity to live. In the event of a debilitating and/or incurable illness we offer hospice care. The hospice philosophy recognizes death as the final stage of life and seeks to enable patients to continue an alert, pain-free life and to manage other symptoms so that their last days may be spent with dignity and quality, surrounded by their loved ones. Hospice affirms life and neither hastens nor postpones death.

Euthanasia would only be considered in extraordinary circumstances. The decision would be made by the Executive Director and euthanasia would be performed by our veterinarian technician or one of the sanctuary veterinarians, at the sanctuary among friends (the Jungle Friends staff), if at all possible.

The method of euthanasia, only considered in extraordinary circumstances, is Ketamine HCL anesthesia IM, followed by IV barbituate overdose.

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