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**Hospice of Michigan to host free screening of  
*Being Mortal* on Feb. 6 at Vogue Theatre**

**MANISTEE, Mich. (Jan. 31, 2017)** – Join [Hospice of Michigan](#) for a free screening and discussion of the PBS FRONTLINE documentary, [Being Mortal](#), from 6 to 8 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 6 at Vogue Theatre, located at 383 River Street in Manistee. The 54 minute film is based on the best-selling book by Atul Gawande, M.D.

The film explores the hopes of terminally ill patients and their families, investigates the practice of caring for the dying, and delves into the relationships between patients and their doctors.

Following the screening, moviegoers are invited to a special panel session at 7:15 p.m. Attendees will learn how to take steps to identify and communicate wishes about end-of-life goals and preferences.

Panelists include:

- Katie Gedraitis, grief support service manager at Hospice of Michigan
- Sarah Howard, executive director of Manistee County Council on Aging
- Dawn Leedham, BSW, care coordinator at Spectrum Health
- Jan Tilotson, volunteer at Hospice of Michigan

Hospice of Michigan partnered with [Manistee County Council on Aging](#) to bring this documentary to the Manistee area.

For more information about the free screening, please contact Katie Gedraitis at 231.845.3423 or [kgedrait@hom.org](mailto:kgedrait@hom.org). To RSVP, please visit <http://hom.convio.net/beingmortal>.

**About Hospice of Michigan**

A nationally recognized leader in end-of-life care, Hospice of Michigan is the original – and largest – hospice in the state. The nonprofit cares for nearly 1,800 patients each day, raising more than \$5 million each year to cover the cost of care for the uninsured and underinsured. HOM offers a broad range of services to enhance the quality of life at the end of life, including community-based palliative care and pediatric care programs. HOM provides grief support and counseling, caregiver education and support, and education programs for physicians and health care professionals through its research, training and education arm, the Hospice of Michigan Institute. In January 2016, HOM joined forces with Arbor Hospice and Palliative Care, strengthening the mission of nonprofit hospice in Michigan to ensure patients and their caregivers receive the highest quality of care. For more information, call 888.247.5701 or visit [www.hom.org](http://www.hom.org).

