



COMMISSIONER
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To: Medicaid Hospice Providers

Subject: Information Letter #13-39 Clarification for Medicaid Hospice Providers Enrolling Individuals Residing in a Facility into the Texas Medicaid Hospice Program

Pursuant to Title 40 of the Texas Administrative Code (TAC), Chapter §19.1926, Medicaid Hospice Services, and 42 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §418.112 Condition of Participation: Hospice providers that provide Hospice care to residents of Skilled Nursing Facilities/Nursing Facilities (SNF/NF) or Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID) must have a written agreement with the SNF/NF or ICF/IID facility that specifies the provision of Medicaid Hospice services in the facility. The agreement must be signed by authorized representatives of the Hospice provider and the SNF/NF or ICF/IID before the provision of Hospice services. The written agreement must include, at a minimum, all the requirements specified in these two regulations.

In addition, a Medicaid Hospice provider must be certified and licensed by the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) and have an established contract with DADS to provide Hospice services.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Sara Goodman, at (512) 438-5837 or by email at sara.goodman@dads.state.tx.us.

Sincerely,

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