

Caregiver & Beneficiary

Fraud Prevention Checklist

Qualifying for Hospice Services

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Receiving Hospice Services

Do I Qualify for Hospice Services?

- ⚠ Did your doctor determine that you are terminally ill?
- ⚠ Did your doctor determine that you have less than six months to live?
- ⚠ Did you choose to stop curative care services and instead change to palliative care, which helps with comfort measures only?

What Type of Hospice Care can I Receive?

Be vigilant about reviewing bills and statements such as Medicare Summary Notices (MSN), and be informed about the levels and types of services that are being billed.

Routine Care (Billing codes to identify on the MSN: Q5001-Q5010 with code 0651)

Routine care is when the hospice is paid by Medicare for the routine home care rate each day the patient is under the care of hospice.

- ⚠ Routine care does not include receiving gifts like groceries.
- ⚠ Routine care does not include someone coming to clean your house.
- ⚠ Routine care is still hospice care. It means you have elected to stop trying to cure an illness and instead are choosing to receive comfort measures only.

Continuous Care (Billing codes to identify on the MSN: Q5001-Q5003, Q5009-Q5010 with code 0652)

Continuous home care is to be provided only during periods of crisis to keep the beneficiary at home. A period of crisis is a period of time when the beneficiary requires a higher level of care for at least eight hours in a 24-hour period (midnight to midnight) to achieve pain management or the management of acute medical symptoms.

- ⚠ The care does not have to be “continuous” to qualify but must total eight hours or more of care within the 24-hour period.
- ⚠ The care can be provided by an RN, LPN, and home health aide. However, more than 50 percent of the total care provided must be provided by a nurse.

Questions

State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)
www.shiptacenter.org
 877-839-2675

Report Suspected Fraud

Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP)
www.smpresource.org
 877-808-2468

Available Resources

CMS Hospice Comparison Tool:
www.medicare.gov/hospicecompare