

Hospice in Facility Checklist

Services
What services will you provide me?
What services will you provide my family and friends?
What will my room look like?
What are the facility's visiting hours and policies?
May a friend or family member stay with me overnight? Is there a charge?
May my pets come to the facility for visits?
Dining and Food Service
Does the facility accommodate special diets?
When are meals served?
How often does the menu change?
Are meals/snacks available any time?
Are my guests allowed to have meals with me? What is the cost?
Care Plan
Is there a written care plan for each patient?
Will you include my family and me in designing this plan?
Staffing
How many staff members are on duty each shift?
What training and qualifications are required for staff?
Observe staff interactions with patients. Are they positive and courteous?
Does the facility have a volunteer program? If yes, what types of activities do the volunteers perform?
Payment



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Will you help me determine whether my private health insurance or long-term care insurance will cover hospice care?
Are you Medicare certified?
Will you assist me in finding a source of payment for your services?
Are there additional costs for certain goods or services?
How much money will I have to pay out of pocket?
Inspections
Is the facility licensed?
When was the facility last inspected?
May I see the results of the inspection?
References
Who owns the facility?
Will you provide me with a list of doctors and other health care professionals who are familiar with your services?
Complaints
Whom should I call with a question or complaint?