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§418.112(c) Standard: Written agreement.

The hospice and SNF/NF or ICF/IID must have a written agreement that specifies the provision of hospice services in the facility. The agreement must be signed by authorized representatives of the hospice and the SNF/NF or ICF/IID before the provision of hospice services.

Interpretive Guidelines §418.112(c)

The written agreement is for the provision of hospice services between the two entities. As the written agreement is not patient specific, it does not need to be rewritten for each patient. If there are concerns regarding the provision of services, the hospice and the facility may review and revise this agreement as appropriate for needed changes and/or improvement in the working relationship between the two entities.

