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Interpretive Guidelines §418.56(c)(6)

§418.56(c)(6) The interdisciplinary group's documentation of the patient's or representative's level of understanding, involvement, and agreement with the plan

of care, in accordance with the hospice's own policies, in the clinical record.

While the patient/family must be included in developing/updating the plan of care, they do not need to be present during IDG meetings.