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§418.102(d) Standard: Medical director responsibility.

The medical director or physician designee has responsibility for the medical component of the hospice's patient care program.

Interpretive Guidelines §418.102(d)

The single individual who fills the role of the medical director assumes overall responsibility for the medical component of the hospice's patient care program. This responsibility, which extends to all hospice multiple locations, includes overseeing the implementation of the entire physician, nursing, social work, therapy, and counseling areas within the hospice to ensure that these areas consistently meet patient and family needs.