

**§418.76(b)(3) A hospice aide training program must address each of the following subject areas:**

- (i) Communication skills, including the ability to read, write, and verbally report clinical information to patients, care givers, and other hospice staff.**
- (ii) Observation, reporting, and documentation of patient status and the care or service furnished.**
- (iii) Reading and recording temperature, pulse, and respiration.**
- (iv) Basic infection control procedures.**
- (v) Basic elements of body functioning and changes in body function that must be reported to an aide's supervisor.**
- (vi) Maintenance of a clean, safe, and healthy environment.**
- (vii) Recognizing emergencies and the knowledge of emergency procedures and their application.**

- (viii) The physical, emotional, and developmental needs of and ways to work with the populations served by the hospice, including the need for respect for the patient, his or her privacy, and his or her property.**
  - (ix) Appropriate and safe techniques in performing personal hygiene and grooming tasks, including items on the following basic checklist:**

    - (A) Bed bath;**
    - (B) Sponge, tub, and shower bath;**
    - (C) Hair shampoo (sink, tub, and bed);**
    - (D) Nail and skin care;**
    - (E) Oral hygiene;**
    - (F) Toileting and elimination;**
  - (x) Safe transfer techniques and ambulation.**
  - (xi) Normal range of motion and positioning.**
  - (xii) Adequate nutrition and fluid intake.**
  - (xiii) Any other task that the hospice may choose to have an aide perform. The hospice is responsible for training hospice aides, as needed, for skills not covered in the basic checklist, as described in paragraph (b)(3)(ix) of this section.**
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