



### **Admission Criteria**

- Primary diagnosis is a medical (not psychiatric) condition.
- Meets criteria for hospice admission:
  - Two independent physicians agree that the patient has a terminal condition that is likely to take the person's life in 6 months or less, based on disease progression.
  - Meets criteria for disease-specific guidelines based on the Oregon Hospice Association criteria (see attachments) for the following conditions (but not limited to them): Congestive Heart Failure, Ischemic Heart Disease, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, Cancer, End-stage Liver Disease, End stage Renal Disease, Neurological disease (Cerebrovascular accident), Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS), end-stage dementias, multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's disease, etc.
- Priority will be given to community residents who live alone and cannot manage at home.

### **Administrative Requirements for Admission**

- All admissions are evaluated on a case-by-case basis.
- All residents will be enrolled in a Medicare certified hospice program.
- Signed financial commitment form for room and board costs or arrangements for Medicaid or other alternative payor (clinical services will be billed to Medicare by the managing hospice agency)
- Thorough and updated medical information, including history and physical, diagnoses, prognosis and communicable disease status if known (i.e., TB, C. Diff, MRSA, Hep B/C).
- Proof of clear COVID-19 test or free of symptoms for 5 days before coming to HH.
- Pertinent clinical assessments, including ADL's PPS/KPS.
- Palliative Performance Scale (PPS) will be 30-40% or less for non-cancer hospice diagnosis.
- Copy of any Physician Order for Life-Sustaining Treatment (POLST) with a Do Not Resuscitate Order in effect.
- If present, evidence the resident's defibrillator has been deactivated.
- Copy of any Advanced Directive expressing the resident's wishes concerning medical treatment.
- Copy of any document designating a Care Surrogate and/or Financial Surrogate.
- Copy of all approved/unapproved personal contacts.

### **Exclusion Criteria**

- Conditions that are not terminal in nature.
- Refusal to be managed by a hospice agency.
- Communicable diseases requiring airborne isolation. Other conditions will be determined on a case-by-case basis by HH staff.
- Mental Illness or developmental disability requiring active psychiatric intervention.

- Adult residents who desire active medical treatments and hospitalization for their disease processes. Note: pediatric hospice patients may continue to receive active medical treatments concurrent with their hospice services under the rules of the hospice Medicare benefit.
- Significant likelihood of disruptive behavior due to (applies to patient and family):
  - Danger to self or others
  - Violent or assaultive behavior
  - Wandering or elopement requiring secure unit
  - Requiring restrictive restraints
  - Recent criminal behavior, including possession of weapons, use or possession of illegal drugs and paraphernalia or drug trafficking.
  - Sexual predation or assault
- HH can care for bariatric residents and eligibility will be determined on a case-by-case basis.