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333.21415 Program of planned and continuous hospice care; direction of medical components; coordination, design, and provision of hospice services.

Sec. 21415. (1) A hospice or a hospice residence shall provide a program of planned and continuous hospice care, the medical components of which shall be under the direction of a physician.

(2) Hospice care shall consist of a coordinated set of services rendered at home or in hospice residence or other institutional settings on a continuous basis for individuals suffering from a disease or condition with a terminal prognosis. The coordination of services shall assure that the transfer of a patient from 1 setting to another will be accomplished with a minimum disruption and discontinuity of care. Hospice services shall address the physical, psychological, social, and spiritual needs of the individual and shall be designed to meet the related needs of the individual's family through the periods of illness and bereavement. These hospice services shall be provided through a coordinated interdisciplinary team that may also include services provided by trained volunteers.

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