

# Hospice Services (for North Carolina Only)

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Related Policies
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## Application

This Coverage Determination Guideline only applies to the state of North Carolina.

## Coverage Rationale

Hospice care is covered and medically necessary in certain circumstances. For clinical coverage criteria, refer to the [North Carolina Medicaid \(Division of Health Benefits\) Clinical Coverage Policy for Community Based Services, 3D, Hospice Services](#).

## Applicable Codes

The following list(s) of procedure and/or diagnosis codes is provided for reference purposes only and may not be all inclusive. Listing of a code in this policy does not imply that the service described by the code is a covered or non-covered health service. Benefit coverage for health services is determined by federal, state, or contractual requirements and applicable laws that may require coverage for a specific service. The inclusion of a code does not imply any right to reimbursement or guarantee claim payment. Other Policies and Guidelines may apply.

HCPCS Code	Description
G0299	Direct skilled nursing services of a registered nurse (RN) in the home health or hospice setting, each 15 minutes
G0300	Direct skilled nursing services of a licensed practical nurse (LPN) in the home health or hospice setting, each 15 minutes
G0493	Skilled services of a registered nurse (RN) for the observation and assessment of the patient's condition, each 15 minutes (the change in the patient's condition requires skilled nursing personnel to identify and evaluate the patient's need for possible modification of treatment in the home health or hospice setting)
G0494	Skilled services of a licensed practical nurse (LPN) for the observation and assessment of the patient's condition, each 15 minutes (the change in the patient's condition requires skilled nursing personnel to identify and evaluate the patient's need for possible modification of treatment in the home health or hospice setting)
T2042	Hospice routine home care; per diem
T2043	Hospice continuous home care; per hour

HCPCS Code	Description
T2044	Hospice inpatient respite care; per diem
T2045	Hospice general inpatient care; per diem
T2046	Hospice long-term care, room and board only; per diem

## References

North Carolina Medicaid, Division of Health Benefits, Clinical Coverage Policies, Hospice Services, No: 3D.  
[https://files.nc.gov/ncdma/documents/files/3D\\_6.pdf](https://files.nc.gov/ncdma/documents/files/3D_6.pdf). Accessed March 30, 2021.

## Guideline History/Revision Information

Date	Summary of Changes
07/01/2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New Coverage Determination Guideline</li> </ul>

## Instructions for Use

This Coverage Determination Guideline provides assistance in interpreting UnitedHealthcare standard benefit plans. When deciding coverage, the federal, state or contractual requirements for benefit plan coverage must be referenced as the terms of the federal, state or contractual requirements for benefit plan coverage may differ from the standard benefit plan. In the event of a conflict, the federal, state or contractual requirements for benefit plan coverage govern. Before using this guideline, please check the federal, state or contractual requirements for benefit plan coverage. UnitedHealthcare reserves the right to modify its Policies and Guidelines as necessary. This Coverage Determination Guideline is provided for informational purposes. It does not constitute medical advice.

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