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| **Eligibility** | • Terminal illness certified by Primary Care physician (6 months or less prognosis)  
• Patient or parent consent | • Medicaid recipient  
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• Patient or parent consent | • Enrolled in the CMS Managed Care Plan through Medicaid Title XIX or KidCare Title XXI  
• Have a life-threatening illness  
• Live in an area served by a PIC:TFK Provider | **Medicare & Medicaid Criteria**  
• Homebound: Patient is considered homebound if they have an illness or injury that restricts their ability to leave their residence except with the aid of supportive devices, special transportation, or with another person.  
**OR**  
• Have a condition such that leaving his or her home is medically contraindicated.  
**Also**  
• Must have been seen by their physician in the past 90 days (Medicare) 60 days (Medicaid) for the reason home health is being ordered or (Medicare) are scheduled to see their physician within the next 30 days  
• Physician must complete a Face to Face form provided by the homecare provider as evidence of the patient visit  
• Skilled Care must be ordered (Nursing, PT, OT)  
• Care must be able to be safely provided in the home  
• (Medicaid) All services requested must be pre-approved by eQHealth  
• (Medicaid) Only authorized services may be provided at the authorized frequency | **Private Insurance**  
• Admission criteria depends on each insurer’s requirements  
• Authorization must be received prior to care  
**PAC Waiver**  
• Authorization for Services covered under PAC Waiver is received prior to provision of care  
• Physician’s order for skilled and personal care  
**As per physician’s orders, available services Medicare:**  
• Skilled Nursing care  
• Therapy services  
• Medical social services  
• Home health aides services |

### Medical
- **MD/ARNP**  
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- PCP specialists for treatments related to terminal diagnosis with curative focus and not in hospice plan of care are available under non-hospice Medicaid

- **MD/ARNP/PA consultation for pain and symptom management**

- **Not provided**
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<td>• RN, LPN, Hospice Aide&lt;br&gt;• RN/LPN/Hospice Aide available 24/7 for skilled assessment and/or hands-on interventions</td>
<td>• RN, LPN, Hospice Aide&lt;br&gt;• RN/LPN/CNA available 24/7 for skilled assessment/or and hands-on interventions&lt;br&gt;• Custodial in-home shift nursing covered under non-hospice Medicaid</td>
<td>• Palliative Care Nursing Services for services not under state plan and needed for palliation&lt;br&gt;• Home Health Aide/CNA for services not under state plan and needed for palliation (if available)&lt;br&gt;• Disease process/symptom education&lt;br&gt;• Advocacy</td>
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<td>Medications</td>
<td>• Related to terminal diagnosis; will be provided/delivered by hospice&lt;br&gt;• Unrelated medications available per usual through insurance from associated pharmacies as ordered by primary care physician or specialists</td>
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<td>• Medication coordination with CMS Managed Care Plan, no medication provided by PIC:TFK program&lt;br&gt;• Education&lt;br&gt;• Advocacy</td>
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<td>Spiritual</td>
<td>• Chaplain support/services available for all families when requested</td>
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<td>Diagnostic Services</td>
<td>• Related to hospice diagnosis, within the hospice plan of care, as ordered by physician</td>
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<td>Medical Interventions</td>
<td>• As approved by the hospice medical director, within the hospice plan of care, with focus on comfort/quality of life</td>
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<td>Durable Medical Equipment</td>
<td>• Related to terminal diagnosis; may be provided/delivered by hospice or contractually through local DME company&lt;br&gt;• Equipment not related to treatment of the terminal diagnosis is provided through insurance provider as ordered by primary care physician or specialist</td>
<td>• Related to terminal diagnosis included in plan of care, ordered by hospice physician; may be provided/delivered by hospice or contractually through local DME company&lt;br&gt;• Equipment not related to treatment of the terminal diagnosis or in place prior to start of concurrent care, i.e. ventilator, is provided through Medicaid provider as ordered by primary care physician or specialist</td>
<td>• DME coordination with CMS Managed Care Plan, no DME provided by PIC:TFK Program&lt;br&gt;• Education&lt;br&gt;• Advocacy</td>
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<td>Disposables</td>
<td>• Disposables needed to provide care related to terminal diagnosis (include but not limited to wound care products, diapers, lotions, personal care products)</td>
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<td>• Disposables coordination with the CMS Managed Care Plan, no disposables provided by the PIC:TFK Program</td>
<td>• Wound care supplies w/physician’s order</td>
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| Ancillary Services | • Specific to each hospice provider: (may include)  
  o Child life  
  o Music therapy  
  o Massage therapy | Specific to each hospice provider:  
  o Child life  
  o Music therapy  
  o Massage therapy | Specific to each PIC:TFK provider: (may include)  
  o Child life  
  o Music therapy  
  o Art therapy  
  o Play therapy | Specific to each provider, not provided typically |
| Volunteers | Available | Available | Availability specific to provider | Not typically provided |
| Respite | • In-home respite – RN, LPN/CNA (if private fund available)  
  • Inpatient hospice care center if available | • In-home respite – RN, LPN/CNA (if private fund available)  
  • Inpatient hospice care center if available | • In-home (if available) – RN, LPN, CNA  
  Maximum of 168 combined hours per calendar year.  
  Coordinate additional respite needs through the CMS Managed Care Plan. | Not provided |
| Alternate Levels of Care | • Home-based care  
  • Continuous Home Care  
  • General Inpatient Care  
  o Hospice inpatient facility  
  o Contract bed | For Hospice related care:  
  • Home-based care  
  • Continuous Home Care  
  • General Inpatient Care  
  o Hospice inpatient facility  
  o Contract bed  
  For non-hospice related or curative care (through Medicaid provider):  
  • Hospital  
  • Home health  
  • PPEC (Prescribed pediatric extended care) | • Not provided | Not provided |
| Financial Responsibility/SOURCES | • No copay for related hospice services unless private insurance plan requires one for hospice benefit  
  • Covers 100% expenses related to the hospice diagnosis that are within the hospice plan of care | Covers 100% expenses related to the hospice diagnosis that are within the hospice plan of care  
  Non-hospice Medicaid covers care outside hospice plan of care related to hospice diagnosis but with curative focus, and care not related to hospice diagnosis | • No charge - Services provided through the CMS Managed Care Plan | Private insurance, Medicaid, and Medicare (uncommon – some for ESRD)  
  Prescribed # of services provided per physician’s order – reimbursement for services only within required, defined parameters of physician’s orders and goals met |
| Transportation | • Related to hospice diagnosis for services included in the hospice | Related to hospice diagnosis for services included in the hospice plan of care | Transportation coordination with the CMS Managed Care Plan, | Not provided |
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<td>Referrals &amp; Authorization/Enrollment</td>
<td>• Referrals – self, family member, physician’s office, hospital, Children’s Medical Services • Prior authorization may be required for private insurance services • Enrollment – as directed by parent’s schedule and preferences</td>
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<td>Certification and Recertification</td>
<td>• Two 90-day benefit periods and an unlimited number of 60-day benefit periods as long as the patient is certified terminally ill (6 months or less prognosis)</td>
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<td>Billing</td>
<td>• Hospice per diem and related, approved services: Medicaid, private insurance</td>
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<td>• Billed to CMS Managed Care Plan</td>
<td>• Home health agency bills private insurance, Medicaid</td>
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<td>Other</td>
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<td>PIC-TFK Website List of PIC:TFK Providers: • Hope Healthcare: Lee, Glades, and Hendry counties • Treasure Health: Martin, St. Lucie, and Okeechobee counties • Community Hospice and Palliative Care: Nassau, Baker, Clay, Duval, and St. Johns, Alachua, Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette, Levy, Putnam, Suwannee, and Union counties • Avow Hospice: Collier county • Halifax Health: Orange and Osceola counties • Covenant Hospice- Pensacola: Escambia, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, and Walton counties • Tidewell Hospice: Manatee, Sarasota, Charlotte, and DeSoto counties • Suncoast Hospice: Pinellas and Hillsborough counties, others coming</td>
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<td>• Covenant Hospice- Tallahassee: Gadsden, Liberty, Franklin, Leon, Wakulla, Jefferson, Madison, and Taylor counties&lt;br&gt;• St. Francis Reflections: Brevard county</td>
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Forms for approved providers | • AHCA Concurrent Care Election form | |

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[Children’s Medical Services Regional Perinatal Intensive Care Centers Provider Website](#)

[Children’s Medical Services Website (Wellcare) links to area CMS Provider Directories](#)

[Agency for Health Care Administration Statewide Medicaid Managed Care Website](#)

[Health Plans and Programs LTC and MMA 1-877-711-3662](#)

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