

42 C.F.R. § 418.102

Condition of participation: Medical director.

The hospice must designate a physician to serve as medical director. The medical director must be a doctor of medicine or osteopathy who is an employee, or is under contract with the hospice. When the medical director is not available, a physician designated by the hospice assumes the same responsibilities and obligations as the medical director.

(a) *Standard: Medical director contract.* (1) A hospice may contract with either of the following—

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