



## PROVIDER BULLETIN NO. 17-02

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TO: Nebraska Medicaid Nursing Facility Providers

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RE: Hospice in Nursing Facility Medicaid Provider Agreement

### **Please Share This Information with Administrative and Office Staff**

To enroll as a Medicaid-covered hospice agency providing care in a Medicaid-enrolled Nursing Facility (NF), a **separate** Medicaid provider agreement is required for **every NF where hospice services are provided** per Nebraska Administrative Code (NAC) 471, Chapter 12, Section 12-015.

The hospice agency must have an active contract with every NF under the current ownership at the time of the requested Medicaid provider agreement start date. If the NF undergoes a change of ownership, a new contract must be executed. Payment cannot occur without a current contract. The provider name on the agreement shall reflect the relationship between the hospice agency and NF (for example Hospice Name/ Nursing Home Name).

When completing the Medicaid Provider Agreement in the Maximus web portal, provider type *hospice in nursing facility* must be entered as the provider type. Provider specialty *hospice* must be entered as the specialty.

Failure to complete the provider agreement accurately, or omitting the hospice/nursing facility contract, will delay enrollment.

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If you have questions concerning this provider bulletin, please contact Danny Vanourney at (402) 471-9678 or [DHHS.MLTCInstitutionalServices@nebraska.gov](mailto:DHHS.MLTCInstitutionalServices@nebraska.gov).

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