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Enrollment Criteria

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Hospice Services providers must meet the Provider Participation and enrollment requirements contained within Section 140.000 of this manual as well as the following criteria to be eligible to participate in the Arkansas Medicaid Program:

- A. The hospice provider must be certified as a Title XVIII (Medicare) hospice provider. The provider must submit a copy of the Medicare certification to Provider Enrollment when submitting the Hospice Program application and contract.
- B. The hospice provider must be licensed by the Division of Health Facility Services, Arkansas ~~Division~~ Department of Health. The provider must submit a copy of their current license.
- C. All Medicaid-enrolled hospice providers that employ or contract physicians to provide direct patient care to Medicaid-eligible hospice patients must be enrolled as hospice physician billing intermediaries in order to bill Medicaid for hospice physician. See Section 240.200 for additional information regarding this requirement.

D. The following individuals employed or contracted with a hospice provider must comply with criminal background checks and central registry checks as required by law currently codified at Arkansas Code Annotated §§ 20-33-213 and 20-38-101 et seq.:

- 1. Owners;
- 2. Principals;
- 3. Operators;
- 4. Employees; and
- 5. Applicants (prior to the extension of a job offer).

Central registry checks under this section must include the:

- 1. Child Maltreatment Central Registry;
- 2. Adult and Long-Term Care Facility Resident Maltreatment Central Registry; and
- 3. Certified Nursing Assistant/Employment Clearance Registry.

~~All owners, principals, employees, and contract staff of a hospice provider must submit to an independent, national criminal background check, identity verification, and fingerprinting. Background checks must be repeated every three years.~~