



DIAGNOSIS: HIV

MEDICARE EVALUATION TOOL | MEDICARE GUIDELINES

The patient listed or the patient's loved ones have expressed interest in Yolo Hospice's services. Please return this form **by fax ONLY** to: **530-758-9017**

From: _____ Phone: _____

Patient Name: _____ Date: _____

PATIENT INFORMATION

Medicare requires documentation of need for hospice through prognostic data. **Please supply that below:**

DOCUMENTATION

Please confirm terminal: _____

PATIENT WITH:

- CD4 + count < 25 cells/mc/L OR
- viral load 100,000 copies/ml (2 or more assays at least one month apart)

AND

- CNS lymphoma is systemic lymphoma
- Loss of at least 10% body mass
- Mycobacterium avium complex unresponsive to treatment
- Visceral kaposi sarcoma

AND

- PPS less than or equal to 50%

SUPPORTING EVIDENCE

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Chronic persistent diarrhea for 1 year, regardless of etiology <input type="checkbox"/> Concomitant, active substance abuse <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced AIDS dementia complex <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced liver disease <input type="checkbox"/> Persistent serum albumin < 2.5gm/dl. <input type="checkbox"/> Age > 50 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Toxoplasmosis <input type="checkbox"/> Absence of or resistance to effective antiretroviral, chemotherapeutic, and prophylactic drug therapy related specifically to HIV disease <input type="checkbox"/> Congestive heart failure, symptomatic at rest |
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Please respond YES or NO to the questions in this section:

YES	NO
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| 1. I support hospice care for this patient. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. I will be patient's attending physician. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. I have discussed hospice with patient/loved ones. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. I have discussed terminal diagnosis with patient/loved ones. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. I will sign death certificate when it becomes necessary. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Based on the information indicated above, the above named patient has a medical prognosis that life expectancy is six (6) months or less, if the terminal illness runs its normal course

Physician Signature

Date