

135J.3 Basic requirements.

A licensed hospice program shall include:

1. A planned program of hospice care, the medical components of which shall be under the direction of an attending physician.
2. Centrally administered, coordinated hospice core services provided in home, outpatient, or institutional settings.
3. A mechanism that assures the rights of the patient and family.
4. Palliative care provided to a hospice patient and family under the direction of an attending physician.
5. An interdisciplinary team which develops, implements, and evaluates the hospice plan of care for the patient and family.
6. Bereavement services.
7. Accessible hospice care twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week in all settings.
8. An ongoing system of quality assurance and utilization review.

[84 Acts, ch 1284, §7](#)

C85, §135.95

[90 Acts, ch 1204, §66](#)

C91, §135J.3

[2022 Acts, ch 1066, §8](#)

Referred to in [§135J.2](#)

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