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**481—53.7(135J) Medical director.** Each hospice shall have a medical director who is a physician licensed to practice medicine pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 148. The medical director shall:

- 1. Be a member of the interdisciplinary team;
- 2. Monitor the quality of care provided;
- 3. Assist in providing assurance of the quality of care provided to the patient and family;
- 4. Maintain liaison with the attending physician;
- 5. Review clinical material from the patient's attending physician to certify the prognosis as anticipated by that physician;
  - 6. Participate in providing direction for the medical component of care;
  - 7. Participate in resolving conflicts regarding care to be provided; and
  - 8. Participate in the development and review of patient care policies, procedures and protocols.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 135J.3(1). [ARC 6975C, IAB 4/5/23, effective 5/10/23]