

## **ADDENDUM 3:**

### **Aspirus Hospice Services Financial Assistance Program Guidelines**

Policy Statement: Financial Assistance may be granted to those patients receiving hospice care other than home hospice who are determined to have a financial need.

Qualification for financial assistance will be based on income and family size.

#### Family Size 1

- Monthly contribution for hospice services will be monthly income less one person exemption of \$90. Assets must be spent down to less than \$4,000.

#### Family Size 2

- Monthly contribution for hospice services will be monthly income less two person exemption of \$3,160.50. Liquid assets must be spent down to less than \$10,000.

#### Family Size 3

- Monthly contribution for hospice services will be monthly income less two person exemption of \$3,160.50 plus \$704.58 for an additional person. Liquid assets must be spent down to less than \$10,000 plus \$5,000 for each additional person over 2.

Liquid Assets - Bank accounts, certificates of deposit, mutual funds, real estate (exempting \$75,000 of equity of primary home for families of 2 or more)

Exemption limits will be adjusted each year based on the published Social Security Cost of Living Adjustment.

\$90.00 Two times Medicaid personal needs allowance

\$704.58 Medicaid dependent family member allocation

Lesser of \$3,160.50 or \$2,818.34 Medicaid community spouse allocation, plus an excess shelter allowance of \$845.50

Source: Wisconsin Medicaid Website – Spousal Impoverishment Protection (Last Revised: July 10, 2019)