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, liquid assets and family size. Excluding real estate and cash value of life insurance.

Family Size 1

• Monthly contribution for hospice services will be monthly income less one-person exemption of \$110. 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 \$3,948. 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 \$3,948 plus \$851.67 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.

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

\$110.00 Two times Medicaid personal needs allowance

\$851.67 Medicaid dependent family member allocation

Lesser of \$3,948 or \$3,406.67 Medicaid community spouse allocation, plus an excess shelter allowance of \$1022.00

Source: Wisconsin Medicaid Website – Spousal Impoverishment Protection (Last Revised: January 2025)