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(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) "Home-based hospice care program" means a program that directly or through a contractual arrangement provides a hospice care program in the residence of the patient.

(c) "Hospice facility" means a facility that:

(1) Provides a hospice care program;

(2) Is separate from any other facility; and

(3) Admits at least 2 individuals who:

(i) Are unrelated; and

(ii) Have no reasonable prospect of a cure.

(d) "General hospice care program" means a coordinated, interdisciplinary program of hospice care services for meeting the special physical, psychological, spiritual, and social needs of dying individuals and their families, by providing palliative and supportive medical, nursing, and other health services through home or inpatient care during the illness and bereavement:

(1) To individuals who have no reasonable prospect of cure as estimated by a physician; and

(2) To the families of those individuals.

(e) "General license" means a license issued by the Secretary to operate a general hospice care program.

(f) "Limited hospice care program" means a coordinated, interdisciplinary program of hospice care services for meeting the special physical, psychological, spiritual, and social needs of dying individuals and their families, by providing palliative and supportive nonskilled services through a home-based hospice care program during illness and bereavement:

(1) To individuals who have no reasonable prospect of cure as estimated by a physician; and

(2) To the families of those individuals.

(g) "Limited license" means a license issued by the Secretary to operate a limited hospice care program.

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