

## *Hospice Eligibility*

### **Adult Failure to Thrive**

**An adult who fails to thrive may be eligible for hospice if:**

- Loss of appetite
- Unintentional weight loss of more than 10% in last six months
- Body Mass Index is lower than 22
- Patient refuses artificial nutrition
- Scores poorly on Palliative Performance Scale

**A diagnosis of a clearly identified terminal illness is not necessary in order to be hospice eligible.**



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