Learning Objectives

MedBridge
*Hospice and Palliative Care: A Primer*
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**Chapter 1: History and Development**
Chapter objectives
- Recognize the origin and definitions of end of life care
- Identify the palliative aspects of rehabilitation therapies
- Understand modern approaches to hospice and palliative care

**Chapter 2: Medicare Hospice Benefit**
Chapter objectives
- Understand hospice philosophy and goals
- Identify population and diagnoses receiving end of life care
- Comprehend hospice care reimbursement structure
- Differentiate covered services and equipment
- Recognize interdisciplinary team roles and interactions

**Chapter 3: Roles of Physical, Occupational and Speech Therapy**
Chapter objectives
- Identify the evaluative role of therapy
- Recognize consultative opportunities in care
- Understand the appropriate treatment orientation and use of practice patterns

**Chapter 4: Cost Neutral Strategies**
Chapter objectives
- Utilize complementary visit integration for efficient practice
- Implement reduced aide visitation with family training
- Identify fall and injury prevention measures
- Effect reduced call-out needs by nursing staff

**Chapter 5: Program Development for Organizational Success**
Chapter objectives
- Identify barriers to utilization of therapy services
Discern internal and external marketing opportunities
Recognize top 10 reasons for hospice therapy
Provide for improved patient/family quality of life, safety, satisfaction
Elicit earlier hospice referrals and increased patient length of stay