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**To:** AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Providers

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**Subject:** Informational Bulletin 22-30: General Inpatient Care During Hospice Election Period

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**General Inpatient Care During Hospice Election Period**

The five-day restriction for general inpatient care during the hospice election period will be removed, effective October 1, 2022. This change has no effect on any other hospice restrictions or requirements, including, but not limited to, the five-day limit on respite care.

For more information, you can view the Louisiana Department of Health's Informational Bulletin here: [https://ldh.la.gov/assets/docs/BayouHealth/Informational\\_Bulletins/2022/IB22-30.pdf](https://ldh.la.gov/assets/docs/BayouHealth/Informational_Bulletins/2022/IB22-30.pdf).

AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana will update our provider handbook within 30 days of this notice to reflect this change.

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