

Hospice Services (Core Medical Service)

HRSA Description: Hospice Services are end-of-life care services provided to clients in the terminal stage of an HIV-related illness. Allowable services are:

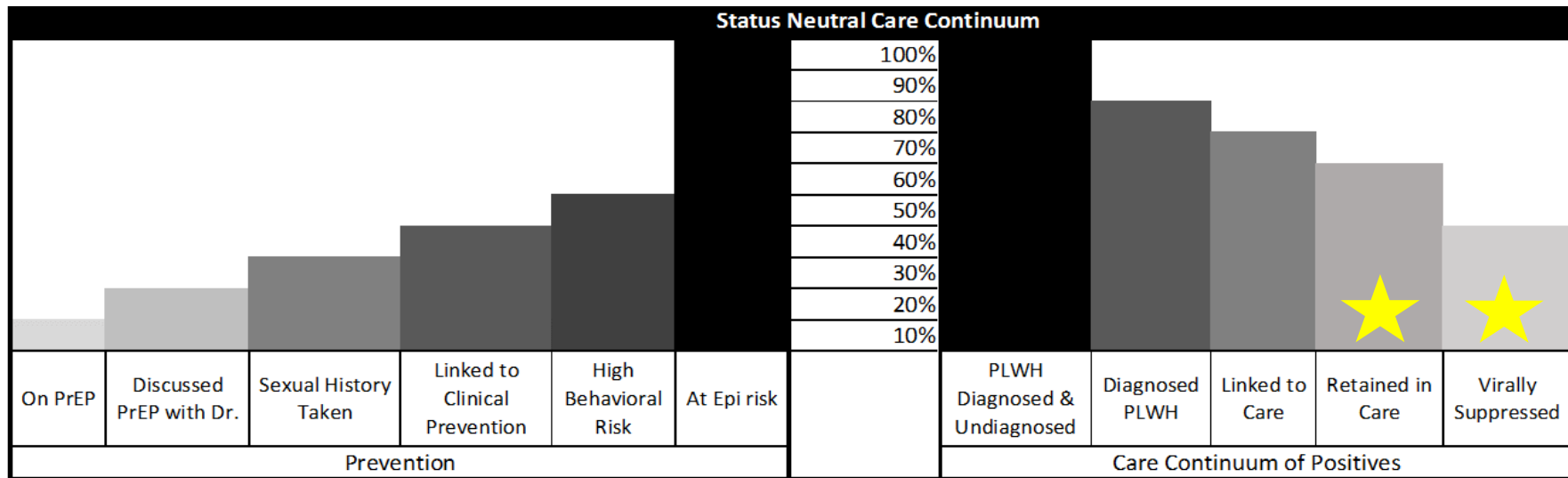
- Mental health counseling
- Nursing care
- Palliative therapeutics
- Physician services
- Room and board

Program Guidance:

Services may be provided in a home or other residential setting, including a non-acute care section of a hospital that has been designated and staffed to provide hospice services. This service category does not extend to skilled nursing facilities or nursing homes.

To meet the need for hospice services, a physician must certify that a patient is terminally ill and has a defined life expectancy as established by the recipient. Counseling services provided in the context of hospice care must be consistent with the definition of mental health counseling. Palliative therapies must be consistent with those covered under respective state Medicaid programs.

2018 Council Prioritization Ranking: 12 out of 12 service areas



Funded providers: Not currently funded by the council

Other sources of funding: Medical Assistance, Minnesota Care, Medicare, most private insurance plans