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The hospice benefit is designed to offer the highest level of care possible in the home setting. Frequent trips to the ER/hospital can be a signal that a patient may be eligible for the added benefits that hospice can provide.

## Are these statements **TRUE** for any of your patients?

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| T or F | Patient is currently or was recently in the hospital and... | → | has returned several times for the same reason & will likely return again. |
| T or F | Patient is experiencing functional decline & is...          | → | unlikely to recover lost function even with aggressive intervention.       |
| T or F | The patient has had rehab &/or utilized home health but...  | → | continues to return to the hospital despite efforts toward recovery.       |
| T or F | The patient needs assistance with ADLs...                   | → | and will need progressively more assistance over time.                     |
| T or F | Long-term recovery is...                                    | → | not probable & the patient's health trajectory is toward decline.          |