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**ELECTION OF HOSPICE CARE**

	1 RECIPIENT NUMBER
2 RECIPIENT NAME ("PATIENT")	3 EFFECTIVE DATE OF CARE

4 NAME OF HOSPICE ("HOSPICE")

I, Patient, hereby elect to receive hospice care on the effective date noted above. I elect to receive hospice care from the above named Hospice. The nature of my illness and of hospice care, the services provided by Hospice and the coverage provided through the Pennsylvania Medical Assistance Hospice Care benefit ("benefit") have been fully explained to me by Hospice. I have been given the opportunity to discuss the services, requirements and limitations of the benefits that are applicable to adults 21 years of age and older, the hospice care provided by Hospice, and the terms of this Election of Hospice Care statement. All my questions have been answered to my satisfaction. I have also signed the separate Hospice statement of informed consent, which has been explained to me by Hospice.

I understand that:

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- I can revoke my election of hospice care at any time by signing the Revocation of Hospice Care form (MA 375) prior to the date I want to stop receiving hospice benefits. My other Medical Assistance benefits will resume when hospice benefits stop, if I am still eligible for Medical Assistance.

**Patients 21 years of age and older:**

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