

EpicEdge Tips & Tricks

Adding Hospice Physicians in Remote Client During a Consult/Admission Visit

There are two places the hospice physicians need to be addressed during a Hospice admission in Remote Client.

Who the Hospice Attending Physician should be discussed with the patient/family during the Hospice Consult/Admission visit. Once that has been decided, they should be added as the Hospice attending using the following steps.

To add the **Hospice Attending** Physician in Remote Client go to the **Address Book>Physicians>Edit Providers**, then add the **Hospice attending** physician.

The screenshot shows the Epic Remote Client interface for a patient named Brownsauc... (96 y.o., 10/30/1926). The patient's MRN is 269259, and the episode date is 8/7/2023. The episode type is Hospice, and the code status is Assume Full. The interface is in the 'Physicians' tab, and the 'Edit Providers' button is highlighted. The 'Hospice attending' field is populated with 'Aakre, Kimberly J. MD'. A message below the field states: 'Editing a previously synchronized hospice attending will automatically set start and end dates based on the date the new changes are synchronized. To view or edit the dates, go to the Hospice Info form in Hospice Intake and click the Edit/View button.' Below this is a table for 'Ancillary providers' with columns for Provider, Relationship, Start Date, End Date, and Comments. The table currently has one row with the number '1' in the Provider column.

Provider	Relationship	Start Date	End Date	Comments
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After the Hospice Attending physician is added, they will automatically be added to the CTI as the **Attending Physician** when the benefit period is added inside the **SN Hospice Admission/SN Hospice Consult Contact**.

The screenshot displays a medical software interface for a patient named Brownsauce, Martin-HSPCVC. The patient's information includes age (96 y.o.), gender (Male), and MRN (269215). The interface shows various tabs and sections related to hospice admission, such as 'Admission Decision', 'Admission Details', and 'Hospice Item Set'. A red box highlights the 'Contact' tab in the left sidebar. Another red box highlights the '+ Add Benefit Period' button in the main content area. An 'Edit Benefit Period' dialog box is open, showing the following details:

- Benefit Period Number: 1
- Start Date: 8/9/2023
- End Date: 11/6/2023
- Duration: 60 (selected) or 90
- Comments: (empty)
- Verbal CTI options: First Verbal CTI, Second Verbal CTI
- Date, From, and By fields (empty)
- Certificate of Terminal Illness section:
 - Generate CTI Order? (checked)
 - Certifying hospice physician: Med Dir/Hspc Physician
 - Attending physician: Aakre, Kimberly J. MD (highlighted with a red box) / Attending Provider (highlighted with a red box)
 - No Second Signature Required (unchecked)
- Comments: (empty)
- Buttons: Accept, Cancel

Note: If the Certifying Hospice Physician (Hospice Medical Director) is added as the Hospice Attending physician in Address Book, then **No Second Signature Required** should be checked on the CTI. This will gray out the Attending Provider field.