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Hospice News: GIP Remains Focus In Latest OIG Work Plan

The blueprint goes fairly easy on hospice, however.

Hospice providers have a smaller than usual role in the **HHS Office of Inspector General's** latest annual Work Plan.

The OIG lists "Hospice general inpatient care" as its sole hospice topic. "Hospice care is palliative rather than curative," the OIG stresses. "When a beneficiary elects hospice care, the hospice agency assumes the responsibility for medical care related to the beneficiary's terminal illness and related conditions."

See the Work Plan at <http://oig.hhs.gov/reports-and-publications/archives/workplan/2016/oig-work-plan-2016.pdf>.