## 14-Point Questionnaire Helps Identify Patients Eligible for Palliative Care Consults

- Admitted with two or more chronic, life-limiting conditions, and dependent on others for ADLs
- 2. Admitted two or more times in the last 3 months
- 3. Frequent (>1/month) ED visits in the last 3 months
- 4. Decisions regarding goals of care are needed
- Distress related to decision making is interfering with care
- 6. Documented grave or very poor prognosis
- 7. A new diagnosis of metastatic cancer

- 8. Restorative treatment is unlikely to be of benefit
- 9. Proposed treatment has been refused
- 10. Unacceptable level of discomfort
- 11. Complex symptoms requiring management
- 12. Family is in need of additional support regarding a patient's medical illness
- 13. Family requests a Palliative Care consult
- Patient previously received Palliative Care services

## **Provider Process for Determining Eligible Patients**

Provider answers questionnaire regarding current patient

Answered "Yes" to at least one question

All 14 questions are answered "No"

No palliative care consult ordered