

Products added to Maximum Allowable Cost list To: **Blood Banks**

Dispensing Physicians Pharmacists HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

Wisconsin Medicaid has expanded its Maximum Allowable Cost list to include additional IV solution and emulsion products.

IV solution products added to Maximum **Allowable Cost list**

Effective August 1, 2000, Wisconsin Medicaid will add several IV solution products to its Maximum Allowable Cost (MAC) list.

Adding these products to the MAC list will give Wisconsin Medicaid greater control in setting prices for materials that were subject to price reductions initiated by the United States Department of Justice (DOJ).

For most of these products the MAC price is higher than those set by the DOJ. Previously, these products were priced off of the average wholesale price (AWP) list.

On May 1, 2000, First DataBank (FDB) began reporting new AWPs on approximately 50 drugs. These price changes, which were initiated at the request of the DOJ, were intended to reflect more accurately the acquisition cost of these drugs.

Since Wisconsin Medicaid automatically updates its prices twice monthly based on information provided by FDB, reimbursement rates were changed beginning in May of 2000.

Correlating prices and reimbursement

To ensure that providers are reimbursed for the acquisition cost of the IV materials subject to the AWP changes, Wisconsin Medicaid is setting a MAC price for these products higher than the levels suggested by the DOJ. If providers are not able to purchase these materials at the new price levels, they may submit invoices showing their actual acquisition cost.

Providers should also submit invoices if they are not able to acquire blood products or chemotherapeutic agents at the DOJ price level. Invoices should be directed to:

> Roma Rowlands State Pharmacist Consultant 1 W. Wilson Street P.O. Box 309 Madison, WI 53701-0309

FAX (608) 266-1096

Claims for recently billed IV products

Claims for IV products billed on-line in realtime between May 1, 2000, and August 1, 2000, may be reversed and rebilled on-line if the amount originally reimbursed was less than your usual and customary charge. If it has been more than 90 days since the original claim was

submitted or if the original claim was not submitted real-time, a paper adjustment must be done.

The Attachment of this *Update* lists the MAC prices for IV products effective May 1, 2000. A new copy of the full MAC list will be sent in the Pharmacy Handbook replacement pages effective October 1, 2000.

This *Update* applies to fee-for-service Medicaid providers only. If you are a Medicaid HMO network provider, contact your managed care organization for more information about its billing procedures. Wisconsin Medicaid HMOs are required to provide at least the same

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benefits for enrollees as those provided under fee-for-service arrangements.

The *Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Update* is the first source of program policy and billing information for providers.

Although the *Update* refers to Medicaid recipients, all information applies to BadgerCare recipients also.

Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare are administered by the Division of Health Care Financing, Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services, P.O. Box 309, Madison, WI 53701-0309.

For questions, call Provider Services at (800) 947-9627 or (608) 221-9883 or visit our Web site at *www.dhfs.state.wi.us/medicaid/*.

ATTACHMENT IV Solutions and Emulsions (Maximum Allowable Cost prices effective May 1, 2000)

DRUG NAME	PACKAGE SIZ	<u>E</u> UNIT PRICE	PACKAGE PRICE
Amino Acids 10% Solution	500 ml	\$0.0260	\$13.00
Amino Acids 10% Solution	1000 ml	\$0.0180	\$18.00
Amino Acids 10% Solution	2000 ml	\$0.0155	\$31.00
Amino Acids 8.5% Solution	500 ml	\$0.0260	\$13.00
Amino Acids 8.5% Solution	1000 ml	\$0.0238	\$23.80
Dextrose 5% in Water Solution	50 ml	\$0.0700	\$3.50
Dextrose 5% in Water Solution	100 ml	\$0.0700	\$7.00
Dextrose 5% in Water Solution	150 ml	\$0.0200	\$3.00
Dextrose 5% in Water Solution	250 ml	\$0.0200	\$5.00
Dextrose 5% in Water Solution	500 ml	\$0.0095	\$4.75
Dextrose 5% in Water Solution	1000 ml	\$0.0048	\$4.80
Dextrose 5% in 0.45% Saline Se	olution 250 ml	\$0.0190	\$4.75
Dextrose 5% in 0.45% Saline Se	olution 500 ml	\$0.0095	\$4.75
Dextrose 5% in 0.45% Saline Se	olution 1000 ml	\$0.0048	\$4.80
Dextrose 5% in 0.9% Saline Sol	ution 250 ml	\$0.0190	\$4.75
Dextrose 5% in 0.9% Saline Sol	ution 500 ml	\$0.0095	\$4.75
Dextrose 5% in 0.9% Saline Sol	ution 1000 ml	\$0.0048	\$4.80
Dextrose 50% Solution	1000 ml	\$0.0080	\$8.00
Dextrose 70% in Water Solution	250 ml	\$0.0390	\$9.75
Dextrose 70% in Water Solution	500 ml	\$0.0195	\$9.75
Dextrose 70% in Water Solution	1000 ml	\$0.0098	\$9.80
Dextrose 70% in Water Solution	2000 ml	\$0.0093	\$18.60
Fat Emulsion 10%	250 ml	\$0.0720	\$18.00
Fat Emulsion 10%	500 ml	\$0.0460	\$23.00
Fat Emulsion 20%	250 ml	\$0.0670	\$16.75
Fat Emulsion 20%	500 ml	\$0.0560	\$28.00
Sodium Chloride 0.9% Solution	50 ml	\$0.0700	\$3.50
Sodium Chloride 0.9% Solution	100 ml	\$0.0700	\$7.00
Sodium Chloride 0.9% Solution	150 ml	\$0.0280	\$4.20
Sodium Chloride 0.9% Solution	250 ml	\$0.0280	\$7.00
Sodium Chloride 0.9% Solution	500 ml	\$0.0096	\$4.80
Sodium Chloride 0.9% Solution	1000 ml	\$0.0048	\$4.80