Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Information for Providers

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To:

Hospice Providers HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

Hospice reimbursement rate increase

Wisconsin Medicaid hospice service reimbursement rates will increase effective for dates of service on and after October 1, 2003.

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The Wisconsin Medicaid hospice reimbursement rates are based on hourly and per diem rates established by the federal government for all covered hospice services.

The Medicaid hospice rates for federal fiscal year 2004, effective October 1, 2003, are based on annual hospice rates established under Medicare. Although these rates provide an annual increase in payment rates for hospice care services, hospice physician services are not increased under this provision. The Attachment of this *Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Update* gives the new Medicaid hospice rates which are effective for dates of service on and after October 1, 2003.

Wisconsin Medicaid will automatically adjust claims submitted and reimbursed at the old reimbursement rate for services provided on and after October 1, 2003. Adjustments will reflect the lesser of the maximum allowed amount or the amount billed. An announcement will be

made on the first page of the Medicaid Remittance and Status Report when the adjustments are made.

Information regarding Medicaid HMOs

This *Update* contains Medicaid fee-for-service policy and applies to providers of services to recipients on fee-for-service Medicaid only. For Medicaid HMO or managed care policy, contact the appropriate managed care organization. Wisconsin Medicaid HMOs are required to provide at least the same benefits 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/.

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ATTACHMENT

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Recipient's county of residence	Revenue code			
	0651 (daily) routine care	0652 (hourly) continuous home	0655 (daily) inpatient respite	0656 (daily) general inpatient
Brown	\$118.76	\$28.88	\$122.71	\$528.10
Calumet Outagamie Winnebago	\$114.41	\$27.82	\$119.16	\$510.08
Chippewa	\$114.02	\$27.73	\$118.84	\$508.47
Eau Claire	\$114.02	\$27.73	\$118.84	\$508.47
Dane	\$127.07	\$30.90	\$129.48	\$562.53
Douglas (St. Louis Co., MN)	\$126.22	\$30.69	\$128.78	\$559.00
Kenosha	\$120.34	\$29.27	\$123.99	\$534.66
La Crosse	\$117.89	\$28.67	\$121.99	\$524.47
Marathon	\$121.17	\$29.47	\$124.67	\$538.09
Milwaukee Ozaukee Washington Waukesha	\$122.13	\$29.70	\$125.45	\$542.06
Pierce	\$130.83	\$31.82	\$132.54	\$578.10
Racine	\$117.32	\$28.53	\$121.53	\$522.12
Rock	\$121.75	\$29.61	\$125.14	\$540.48
St. Croix (including Anoka, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, Isanti, Ramsey, Scott, Washington, & Wright Co., MN)	\$130.83	\$31.82	\$132.54	\$578.10
Sheboygan	\$111.83	\$27.20	\$117.06	\$499.39
Rural WI*	\$115.83	\$28.17	\$120.32	\$515.97
Rural MN	\$115.74	\$28.15	\$120.24	\$515.56
Rural MI	\$114.44	\$27.83	\$119.18	\$510.18

^{*} All counties in Wisconsin not otherwise listed.