

**To:** Home Health Agencies, Personal Care Agencies, Nurses in Independent Practice, Nurse Midwives, HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

## 1.5 Percent Reimbursement Rate Increase for Home Care Services

Effective for dates of service on and after July 1, 2008, maximum allowable fees will increase 1.5 percent for home care services as authorized by the state legislature in 2007-09 biennial budget, Wisconsin Act 20. The rate increase will apply to home health services, personal care services, private duty nursing services, and private duty nursing services to ventilator-dependent members.

This rate increase applies for home care services provided to members enrolled in Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Plus. Providers do not need to resubmit or adjust previously paid claims as they will be automatically adjusted to reflect the new rates.

### Information Regarding Managed Care

This *Update* contains fee-for-service policy and applies to services members receive on a fee-for-service basis. For managed care policy, contact the appropriate managed care organization. BadgerCare Plus HMOs are required to provide at least the same benefits as those provided under fee-for-service arrangements.

The *BadgerCare Plus Update* is the first source of program policy and billing information for providers. All information applies to Medicaid and BadgerCare Plus unless otherwise noted in the *Update*.

Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Plus are administered by the Division of Health Care Access and Accountability, Wisconsin Department of Health 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 [dhs.wisconsin.gov/medicaid/](http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/medicaid/).

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