

To: Physicians, Physician Clinics, HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

Reimbursement Rate Increase for Psychiatrists

Effective for dates of service on and after July 1, 2008, maximum allowable fees will increase 20 percent for evaluation and psychotherapy services provided by psychiatrists. This rate increase was authorized by the state legislature in 2007-09 biennial budget, Wisconsin Act 20. Pharmacologic management (procedure code 90862) is not included.

This rate increase applies for 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 *BadgerCare Plus 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. 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/.

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