

**Affected Programs:** BadgerCare Plus, Medicaid, Wisconsin Chronic Disease Program  
**To:** Hospital Providers, HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

## Entering Dates for Outpatient Continuous Visits

ForwardHealth considers an outpatient visit that spans more than one continuous date of service (DOS) to be part of a single, continuous visit. Providers should enter claim detail dates for continuous visits according to the National Uniform Billing Committee Official UB-04 Data Specifications Manual or the Accredited Standards Committee X12 Version 5010 837I Implementation Guide. ForwardHealth no longer requires providers to indicate the DOS on which the services were completed, which is a claims processing change from information previously published in the December 2009 *ForwardHealth Update* (2009-97), titled “New Continuous Stay/Visit Policy for Hospital Services That Span More Than One Date of Service.”

For continuous visits, ForwardHealth will pay one per diem and, if applicable, one access payment per visit.

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

Wisconsin Medicaid, BadgerCare Plus, SeniorCare, and Wisconsin Chronic Disease Program are administered by the Division of Health Care Access and Accountability, Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS). The Wisconsin Well Woman Program is administered by the Division of Public Health, Wisconsin DHS.

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