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Affected Programs: BadgerCare Plus, Medicaid

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

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Replacement Type of Bill Codes for Home Health Claims

The following are the replacement type of bill codes and associated descriptions:

- 32X: Home Health Services under a plan of treatment.
 - ✓ 321: Inpatient admit through discharge claim.
 - ✓ 322: Interim bill first claim.
 - ✓ 323: Interim bill continuing claim.

- ✓ 324: Interim bill final claim.
- 34X: Home Health Services not under a plan of treatment.
 - ✓ 341: Inpatient admit through discharge claim.
 - ✓ 342: Interim bill first claim.
 - ✓ 343: Interim bill continuing claim.
 - ✓ 344: Interim bill final claim.

Information Regarding Managed Care Organizations

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

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 AIDS Drug Assistance Program and the Wisconsin Well Woman Program are administered by the Division of Public Health, Wisconsin DHS.

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