

Affected Programs: BadgerCare Plus, Medicaid
To: Hospice Providers, HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

Hospice Reimbursement Rate Changes

Effective for dates of service on and after October 1, 2015, Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Plus hospice reimbursement rates have changed.

Quality Data Reporting Requirement

Hospice providers are required to report quality data to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) per sections 3004 and 3132(a) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. Since Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Plus hospice reimbursement rates are based on hourly and per diem rates established by CMS for all covered hospice services, the amount hospice providers are reimbursed for covered hospice services is directly affected by their compliance with the quality data reporting requirements.

New Reimbursement Rates Effective for Dates of Service on and After October 1, 2015

Refer to the Attachment of this *ForwardHealth Update* for the new hospice reimbursement rates that are effective for dates of service on and after October 1, 2015.

Note: Nursing home room and board rates are not impacted by these hospice reimbursement rate changes.

New Hospice Rate Structure Effective January 1, 2016

The CMS has announced hospice rate changes that will go into effect on January 1, 2016. The changes include a new dual-rate structure for routine home care services and an

add-on payment for services provided by a registered nurse or social worker during the last seven days of a member's life. Additional information about these changes will be announced in a forthcoming *Update*.

Information Regarding Managed Care Organizations

This *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.

For questions, call Provider Services at 800-947-9627 or visit our website at www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/.

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ATTACHMENT

Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Plus Hospice Reimbursement Rates

Effective for Dates of Service on and After October 1, 2015

County	Revenue Code			
	0651 (Daily) Routine Home	0652 (Hourly) Continuous Home	0655 (Daily) Inpatient Respite	0656 (Daily) General Inpatient
Brown	\$155.71	\$37.83	\$170.78	\$693.65
Calumet	\$157.93	\$38.37	\$172.69	\$702.87
Chippewa	\$159.03	\$38.63	\$173.63	\$707.39
Columbia	\$175.86	\$42.72	\$188.04	\$777.04
Dane	\$175.86	\$42.72	\$188.04	\$777.04
Douglas	\$163.29	\$39.67	\$177.28	\$725.04
Eau Claire	\$159.03	\$38.63	\$173.63	\$707.39
Fond du Lac	\$151.90	\$36.90	\$167.52	\$677.89
Iowa	\$175.86	\$42.72	\$188.04	\$777.04
Kenosha	\$167.28	\$40.64	\$180.70	\$741.54
Kewaunee	\$155.71	\$37.83	\$170.78	\$693.65
La Crosse	\$156.90	\$38.12	\$171.80	\$698.58
Marathon	\$153.09	\$37.19	\$168.54	\$682.82
Milwaukee	\$160.90	\$39.09	\$175.23	\$715.13
Oconto	\$155.71	\$37.83	\$170.78	\$693.65
Outagamie	\$157.93	\$38.37	\$172.69	\$702.87
Ozaukee	\$160.90	\$39.09	\$175.23	\$715.13
Pierce	\$175.42	\$42.62	\$187.67	\$775.24
Racine	\$157.61	\$38.29	\$172.41	\$701.53
Rock	\$151.84	\$36.89	\$167.47	\$677.66
Sheboygan	\$155.65	\$37.81	\$170.74	\$693.42
St. Croix	\$175.42	\$42.62	\$187.67	\$775.24
Washington	\$160.90	\$39.09	\$175.23	\$715.13
Waukesha	\$160.90	\$39.09	\$175.23	\$715.13
Winnebago	\$158.27	\$38.45	\$172.98	\$704.25
Rural WI*	\$151.67	\$36.85	\$167.33	\$676.97

* All counties in Wisconsin not otherwise listed.