November 29, 2017: This *Update* has been revised since its original publication. The note in the Attachment has been revised to clarify the addresses on which the procedure and revenue codes are based.



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To: Hospice Providers, HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

Hospice Reimbursement Rate Changes

New Reimbursement Rates Effective for Dates of Service on and After October 1, 2017

Effective for dates of service (DOS) on and after October 1, 2017, Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Plus hospice reimbursement rates have changed. Refer to the Attachment of this *ForwardHealth Update* for the new hospice reimbursement rates.

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

Claim Adjustments

Wisconsin Medicaid will automatically adjust claims for services provided on and after October 1, 2017, that were reimbursed at the previous reimbursement rate. Reimbursement will be adjusted to the maximum amount allowed or the billed amount, whichever is less. When the adjustments are completed, they will be announced on the banner page of the Remittance Advice.

Reminder About Reimbursement for Routine Care Services

ForwardHealth's two-tiered reimbursement rate structure for hospice routine care services is based on the count of a member's hospice days, using a higher reimbursement rate for a member's first 60 days of hospice care and a lower reimbursement rate for days 61 and after.

Additionally, a service intensity add-on (SIA) payment is for routine care services provided by a social worker or a registered nurse during the last seven days of a member's life. The SIA payment is in addition to the hospice routine care reimbursement.

For more information about reimbursement for hospice routine care services, refer to the Routine Care Services topic (#1155) of the Covered Services and Requirements chapter of the Covered and Noncovered Services section of the Hospice service area of the ForwardHealth Online Handbook at www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/.

Quality Data Reporting Requirement

Hospice providers are required to report quality data to the federal 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 is directly affected by their compliance with the quality data reporting requirement.

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 (MCO). MCOs 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 Medicaid Services, the 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, 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, 2017

The following table includes hospice reimbursement rates for routine care, continuous care, inpatient respite care and general inpatient care. It also includes service intensity add-on (SIA) rates for routine care services provided by a social worker or a registered nurse (RN) during the last seven days of a member's life.

Note: Payment for all types of hospice care is based upon the geographic location (Core-Based Statistical Area) where the service is furnished. Rates for Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System procedure codes T2042 and T2043 are based on the member's address on file with ForwardHealth and rates for procedure codes T2044 and T2045 rates are based on the provider's address.

	Procedure and Revenue Codes									
County	T2042, 0651 (Daily) Routine Home, Days 1–60	T2042, 0651 (Daily) Routine Home, Days 61 and After	T2043, 0652 (Hourly) Continuous Home	T2044, 0655 (Daily) Inpatient Respite	T2045, 0656 (Daily) General Inpatient	G0155, 0562 (Quarter Hour) Routine Home SIA, Social Worker	G0299, 055X (Quarter Hour) Routine Home SIA, RN			
Brown	\$186.16	\$146.21	\$39.25	\$176.77	\$718.90	\$9.81	\$9.81			
Calumet	\$183.43	\$144.07	\$38.68	\$174.74	\$709.09	\$9.67	\$9.67			
Chippewa	\$189.41	\$148.77	\$39.94	\$179.18	\$730.56	\$9.98	\$9.98			
Columbia	\$205.71	\$161.57	\$43.37	\$191.28	\$789.05	\$10.84	\$10.84			
Dane	\$205.71	\$161.57	\$43.37	\$191.28	\$789.05	\$10.84	\$10.84			
Douglas	\$194.33	\$152.63	\$40.97	\$182.83	\$748.21	\$10.24	\$10.24			
Eau Claire	\$189.41	\$148.77	\$39.94	\$179.18	\$730.56	\$9.98	\$9.98			
Fond du Lac	\$179.28	\$140.81	\$37.80	\$171.66	\$694.19	\$9.45	\$9.45			
Green	\$205.71	\$161.57	\$43.37	\$191.28	\$789.05	\$10.84	\$10.84			
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Kenosha	\$197.90	\$155.43	\$41.73	\$185.48	\$761.02	\$10.43	\$10.43			
Kewaunee	\$186.16	\$146.21	\$39.25	\$176.77	\$718.90	\$9.81	\$9.81			

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La Crosse	\$185.96	\$146.06	\$39.21	\$176.62	\$718.18	\$9.80	\$9.80			
Marathon	\$176.72	\$138.80	\$37.26	\$169.76	\$685.01	\$9.31	\$9.31			
Milwaukee	\$191.61	\$150.50	\$40.40	\$180.82	\$738.46	\$10.10	\$10.10			
Oconto	\$186.16	\$146.21	\$39.25	\$176.77	\$718.90	\$9.81	\$9.81			
Outagamie	\$183.43	\$144.07	\$38.68	\$174.74	\$709.09	\$9.67	\$9.67			
Ozaukee	\$191.61	\$150.50	\$40.40	\$180.82	\$738.46	\$10.10	\$10.10			
Pierce	\$208.24	\$163.56	\$43.91	\$193.16	\$798.14	\$10.98	\$10.98			
Racine	\$180.32	\$141.63	\$38.02	\$172.44	\$697.95	\$9.51	\$9.51			
Rock	\$175.52	\$137.86	\$37.01	\$168.87	\$680.72	\$9.25	\$9.25			
Sheboygan	\$186.64	\$146.59	\$39.35	\$177.12	\$720.61	\$9.84	\$9.84			
St. Croix	\$208.24	\$163.56	\$43.91	\$193.16	\$798.14	\$10.98	\$10.98			
Washington	\$191.61	\$150.50	\$40.40	\$180.82	\$738.46	\$10.10	\$10.10			
Waukesha	\$191.61	\$150.50	\$40.40	\$180.82	\$738.46	\$10.10	\$10.10			
Winnebago	\$184.40	\$144.83	\$38.88	\$175.46	\$712.57	\$9.72	\$9.72			
Rural WI*	\$183.76	\$144.33	\$38.75	\$174.99	\$710.28	\$9.69	\$9.69			
Rural IA	\$169.87	\$133.42	\$35.82	\$164.68	\$660.45	\$8.95	\$8.95			
Rural IL	\$173.45	\$136.23	\$36.57	\$167.34	\$673.30	\$9.14	\$9.14			
Rural MI	\$171.57	\$134.76	\$36.18	\$165.94	\$666.54	\$9.04	\$9.04			
Rural MN	\$180.32	\$141.63	\$38.02	\$172.44	\$697.95	\$9.51	\$9.51			

^{*} All counties in Wisconsin not otherwise listed.