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### REVISED HOSPICE RATES

As a result of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Tax Act of 2009 the hospice wage index issued for October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009 has been revised. The revised wage index has been published on the CMS Web site and can be found at [http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Hospice/downloads/FY2009HospiceWI\\_ARRA.pdf](http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Hospice/downloads/FY2009HospiceWI_ARRA.pdf). The revised wage index is retroactive to October 1, 2008 and hospice rates will be recalculated accordingly. All claims submitted for dates of service October 1, 2008 through present will be mass adjusted. Please review future RA's for adjustments.

Attached are the revised MO HealthNet Hospice payment rates effective October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009. The rates in [Attachment A](#) are listed by the Core Based Statistical Area (CBSA).

The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 requires that hospices submit claims for payment for hospice care furnished in an individual's home based on the geographic location in which the service is furnished, as opposed to the location of the hospice. In order to comply with this requirement, use the attached rate schedule when billing for services provided in an individual's home when that residence is outside the CBSA your agency is located in. If services are provided in a CBSA with a higher rate than the CBSA for the location of your agency, please E-mail the Provider Enrollment Unit at [providerenrollment@dss.mo.gov](mailto:providerenrollment@dss.mo.gov), include the provider name, NPI, and residence service counties and request the rate for the participants CBSA be placed on your file. This will allow you to be reimbursed at the appropriate CBSA rate.

**Provider Bulletins** are available on the MO HealthNet Division (MHD) (Formerly the Division of Medical Services) Web site at <http://dss.mo.gov/mhd/providers/pages/bulletins.htm>. Bulletins will remain on the Provider Bulletins page only until incorporated into the [provider manuals](#) as appropriate, then moved to the Archived Bulletin page.

**MO HealthNet News:** Providers and other interested parties are urged to go to the MHD Web site at <http://dss.missouri.gov/mhd/global/pages/mednewssubscribe.htm> to subscribe to the electronic mailing list to receive automatic notifications of provider bulletins, provider manual updates, and other official MO HealthNet communications via E-mail.

**MO HealthNet Managed Care:** The information contained in this bulletin applies to coverage for:

- MO HealthNet Fee-for-Service
- Services not included in MO HealthNet Managed Care

Questions regarding MO HealthNet Managed Care benefits should be directed to the patient's MO HealthNet Managed Care health plan. Before delivering a service, please check the patient's eligibility status by swiping the red MO HealthNet card or by calling the Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System at 573-635-8908 and using Option One for the red or white card.

**Provider Communications Hotline  
573-751-2896**

**REVISED HOSPICE CBSA RATES**  
**FFY 2009 October 1, 2008 - September 30, 2009**

CBSA	COUNTY	DAILY RATE	CONTINUOUS HOME CARE	INPATIENT RESPITE	INPATIENT CARE
17860	Boone Howard	\$ 132.75	\$ 774.13	\$ 146.07	\$ 592.05
22220	McDonald	\$ 133.61	\$ 779.13	\$ 146.81	\$ 595.60
27620	Callaway Cole Moniteau Osage	\$ 130.91	\$ 763.35	\$ 144.49	\$ 584.40
27900	Jasper Newton	\$ 135.76	\$ 791.65	\$ 148.65	\$ 604.49
28140	Cass Clay Clinton Jackson Lafayette Platte Ray Bates Caldwell	\$ 141.44	\$ 824.78	\$ 153.52	\$ 628.00
41140	Andrew Buchanan DeKalb	\$ 133.82	\$ 780.37	\$ 146.99	\$ 596.47
41180	Franklin Jefferson Lincoln St. Charles St. Louis Cnty St. Louis City Warren Crawford Washington	\$ 136.51	\$ 796.03	\$ 149.29	\$ 607.59
44180	Christian Greene Webster Dallas Polk	\$ 133.13	\$ 776.32	\$ 146.40	\$ 593.60
26	Rural MO All counties not listed above	\$ 125.27	\$ 730.50	\$ 139.66	\$ 561.08
	<b>Out of State Providers</b>				
	Chicago, IL - use St. Louis				
	Collinsville, IL - use St. Louis				
	Quincy, IL - use Rural MO				
	Berryville, AR - use Rural MO				
	Kansas City, KS - use KC, MO				
	Springdale, AR - use McDonald				