

FY 2022 Medicaid Hospice Rates Released

To: NHPCO Provider and State Members

From: NHPCO Regulatory Team

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Summary at a Glance

On Tuesday, September 28, 2021, CMS posted the FY 2022 Medicaid hospice rates with a [letter from the CMS Medicaid Office of Financial Management](#) to state Medicaid agencies. The rates for FY 2022 will begin on October 1, 2021.

Hospice Wage Index:

The same wage index is used for both Medicare and Medicaid rates and was updated for the Medicare rates in July 2021. You can find the [FY 2022 CMS wage index](#) on the CMS website.

Hospice Cap:

This cap is optional for hospice services under the Medicaid program. States choosing to implement this cap must specify its use in the Medicaid state plan. The hospice cap runs from October 1st of each year through September 30th of the following year. October 1st of each year through September 30th of the following year. The hospice cap amount for Medicare for the cap year ending September 30, 2022, is **\$31,297.61**.

Quality Reporting:

Medicaid minimum rates are reduced by the 2% penalty for any hospice provider that does not comply with the quality data submission requirements for that fiscal year. Please note that the Section 1814(i)(5)(A)(i) of the Act was amended by the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 (CAA) and the payment reduction for failing to meet hospice quality reporting requirements is increased from 2 percent to 4 percent beginning with FY 2024.

The data collection year for the FY2024 quality reporting Annual Payment Update (APU) begins on January 1, 2022. Table 2 provides rates for those providers that have not complied with the reporting requirements. The tables provide the minimum rates available for state Medicaid agencies to pay hospice providers and states retain their flexibility to pay providers more than the established minimum payments consistent with sections 1902(a)(13)(B) and 1902(a)(30)(A) of the Act.

Rates: The tables below were included in the CMS memo and are slightly different than the Medicare rates. NHPCO has prepared the FY 2022 MEDICAID Hospice State/County Rate charts with the rates for every county in every state in the country for all levels of care, for use by NHPCO members.

Table 1: FY 2022 Medicaid Hospice Rates for All Levels of Care for Hospice Providers that HAVE Submitted the Required Quality Data

DESCRIPTION	DAILY RATE	WAGE COMPONENT SUBJECT TO INDEX	NON-WAGE COMPONENT
Routine Home Care (Days 1-60)	\$203.66	\$134.42	\$69.24
Routine Home Care (Days 61+)	\$160.95	\$106.23	\$54.72
Service Intensity Add-On	\$60.96	\$45.84	\$15.12
Continuous Home Care	\$1,463.09 Full rate = 24 hrs of care/ \$60.96 hourly rate	\$1,100.24	\$362.85
Inpatient Respite Care	\$498.68	\$304.20	\$194.48
General Inpatient Care	\$1,068.28	\$678.36	\$389.92

Table 2: FY 2021 Medicaid Hospice Rates for All Levels of Care for Hospice Providers who HAVE NOT Submitted the Required Quality Data

DESCRIPTION	DAILY RATE	WAGE COMPONENT SUBJECT TO INDEX	NON-WAGE COMPONENT
Routine Home Care (Days 1-60)	\$199.67	\$131.78	\$67.89
Routine Home Care (Days 61+)	\$157.78	\$104.14	\$53.64
Service Intensity Add-On	\$59.77	\$44.94	\$14.83
Continuous Home Care	\$1,434.40 Full rate = 24 hrs of care \$59.77 hourly rate	\$1,078.67	\$355.73
Inpatient Respite Care	\$488.91	\$298.23	\$190.68
General Inpatient Care	\$1,047.33	\$665.05	\$382.28

Any questions about the FY 2022 Medicaid hospice rates should be directed to regulatory@nhpc.org with Medicaid rates in the subject line.