

Subject Home care nursing rate increase

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Overview

This bill provides a rate increase for home care nursing.

Home care nursing services are ongoing nursing services ordered by a physician, APRN, or physician assistant and performed by an RN or LPN in order to maintain or restore a person's health. The services must be used in the recipient's home or outside the home when normal life activities require.

Summary

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1	Rate increase for home care nursing.
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Subd. 1. Rate increase. Effective July 1, 2023, requires the commissioner to increase rates for home care nursing services by 55 percent from the rates in effect on June 30, 2023. Requires the commissioner to apply the annual inflationary adjustment to the rates resulting from the rate increase under this section.

Subd. 2. Spending requirements. Requires at least 80 percent of the marginal increase in revenue for home care nursing resulting from the rate increase in subdivision 1 to be used to increase compensation-related costs for employees employed directly by the provider.

Lists compensation-related costs.

Specifies compensation-related costs for persons employed by the central office of a corporation or entity that has an ownership interest in the provider or exercises control over the provider, or for persons paid under a management contract, do not count toward the 80 percent requirement in this subdivision.

Requires a provider agency or individual provider that receives additional revenue subject to the 80 percent requirement in this subdivision to: (1) prepare a distribution plan that specifies the amount of money the provider expects to

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	<p>receive and how that money will be distributed to increase compensation-related costs for employees; and (2) post the distribution plan in an area of the provider's operation to which all direct support professionals have access. Requires the posted distribution plan to include instructions regarding how to contact the commissioner, or the commissioner's representative, if an employee has not received the compensation-related increase described in the plan.</p>
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Provides a July 1, 2023, effective date.



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