

Subject Home Health Agency Service and Home Care Nursing Service Payment Rates

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Overview

This bill modifies home health agency service and home care nursing service payment rates.

Home health agency services include home health aide, skilled nursing visits, physical therapy, occupational therapy, respiratory therapy, and speech-language pathology therapy.

Home care nursing is ongoing hourly nursing ordered by a physician, advanced practice registered nurse, or physician assistant and services performed by a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse in order to maintain or restore a person's health.

Summary

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1	Payment rates for home health agency services.
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	Amends § 256B.0653, by adding subd. 8. Requires the commissioner to annually adjust MA payments for home health agency services to reflect the changes in the federal CMS Home Health Agency Market Basket and to use the indices as forecasted for the midpoint of the prior rate year and the midpoint of the current rate year.
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	Provides a July 1, 2021, effective date, or upon federal approval, whichever occurs later, for services delivered on or after January 1, 2022. Requires the commissioner of human services to notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained.
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2	Payment rates for home care nursing services.
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	Amends § 256B.0654, by adding subd. 5. Requires the commissioner to annually adjust MA payments for home care nursing services to reflect the changes in the
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