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Analysis of *Proposed* Hospice Medicare Payment Rates in 2027 Compared to 2026, After Reduction for Sequestration

CBSA	CBSA Name	2026 Payment						2027 <i>Proposed</i> Payment						Wage Index % Change	Average Rate % Change
		Routine High Rate	Routine Low Rate	Continuous Home Care (Hourly)	Inpatient Respite Care	General Inpatient Care	Wage Index	Routine High Rate	Routine Low Rate	Continuous Home Care (Hourly)	Inpatient Respite Care	General Inpatient Care	Wage Index		
10780	Alexandria, LA	\$ 208.54	\$ 164.37	\$ 62.28	\$ 484.14	\$1,087.46	0.8816	\$ 213.64	\$ 168.45	\$ 64.25	\$ 496.69	\$1,116.85	0.8811	-0.1%	2.6%
12940	Baton Rouge, LA	\$ 197.04	\$ 155.31	\$ 58.32	\$ 459.63	\$1,029.96	0.8046	\$ 201.23	\$ 158.67	\$ 59.95	\$ 470.20	\$1,054.63	0.8000	-0.6%	2.3%
25220	Hammond, LA	\$ 196.35	\$ 154.77	\$ 58.08	\$ 458.17	\$1,026.53	0.8000	\$ 201.23	\$ 158.67	\$ 59.95	\$ 470.20	\$1,054.63	0.8000	0.0%	2.7%
26380	Houma-Bayou Cane-Thibodaux, LA	\$ 196.35	\$ 154.77	\$ 58.08	\$ 458.17	\$1,026.53	0.8000	\$ 201.23	\$ 158.67	\$ 59.95	\$ 470.20	\$1,054.63	0.8000	0.0%	2.7%
29180	Lafayette, LA	\$ 198.64	\$ 156.57	\$ 58.87	\$ 463.04	\$1,037.95	0.8153	\$ 201.23	\$ 158.67	\$ 59.95	\$ 470.20	\$1,054.63	0.8000	-1.9%	1.5%
29340	Lake Charles, LA	\$ 199.00	\$ 156.85	\$ 58.99	\$ 463.80	\$1,039.74	0.8177	\$ 202.96	\$ 160.03	\$ 60.55	\$ 473.89	\$1,063.30	0.8113	-0.8%	2.2%
33740	Monroe, LA	\$ 196.35	\$ 154.77	\$ 58.08	\$ 458.17	\$1,026.53	0.8000	\$ 201.23	\$ 158.67	\$ 59.95	\$ 470.20	\$1,054.63	0.8000	0.0%	2.7%
35380	New Orleans-Metairie, LA	\$ 204.49	\$ 161.18	\$ 60.89	\$ 475.52	\$1,067.22	0.8545	\$ 203.03	\$ 160.09	\$ 60.57	\$ 474.05	\$1,063.68	0.8118	-5.0%	-0.4%
43340	Shreveport-Bossier City, LA	\$ 198.58	\$ 156.52	\$ 58.85	\$ 462.91	\$1,037.65	0.8149	\$ 205.24	\$ 161.83	\$ 61.34	\$ 478.75	\$1,074.73	0.8262	1.4%	3.5%
43640	Slidell-Mandeville-Covington, LA	\$ 199.49	\$ 157.24	\$ 59.16	\$ 464.85	\$1,042.21	0.8210	\$ 201.23	\$ 158.67	\$ 59.95	\$ 470.20	\$1,054.63	0.8000	-2.6%	1.1%
99919	Rural Louisiana	\$ 196.17	\$ 154.62	\$ 58.02	\$ 457.79	\$1,025.63	0.7988	\$ 199.85	\$ 157.58	\$ 59.47	\$ 467.26	\$1,047.73	0.7910	-1.0%	2.1%

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