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

		2026 Payment						2027 *Proposed* Payment							
CBSA	CBSA Name	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*	*Wage Index % Change*	*Average Rate % Change*
20260	Duluth, MN-WI	$ 216.99	$ 171.03	$ 65.19	$ 502.16	$1,129.72	*0.9382*	$ 225.36	$ 177.70	$ 68.32	$ 521.71	$1,175.61	*0.9577*	*2.1%*	*4.0%*
22020	Fargo, ND-MN	$ 209.95	$ 165.49	$ 62.77	$ 487.17	$1,094.55	*0.8911*	$ 208.34	$ 164.28	$ 62.42	$ 485.39	$1,090.30	*0.8465*	*-5.0%*	*-0.5%*
24220	Grand Forks, ND-MN	$ 196.35	$ 154.77	$ 58.08	$ 458.17	$1,026.53	*0.8000*	$ 201.84	$ 159.15	$ 60.16	$ 471.50	$1,057.70	*0.8040*	*0.5%*	*3.0%*
29100	La Crosse-Onalaska, WI-MN	$ 222.42	$ 175.31	$ 67.06	$ 513.75	$1,156.90	*0.9746*	$ 220.49	$ 173.86	$ 66.63	$ 511.32	$1,151.21	*0.9259*	*-5.0%*	*-0.6%*
31860	Mankato, MN	$ 242.82	$ 191.39	$ 74.08	$ 557.23	$1,258.89	*1.1112*	$ 250.13	$ 197.23	$ 76.91	$ 574.60	$1,299.80	*1.1196*	*0.8%*	*3.2%*
33460	Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington, MN-WI	$ 238.89	$ 188.29	$ 72.73	$ 548.86	$1,239.26	*1.0849*	$ 242.36	$ 191.10	$ 74.21	$ 558.01	$1,260.83	*1.0688*	*-1.5%*	*1.7%*
40340	Rochester, MN	$ 245.68	$ 193.65	$ 75.07	$ 563.34	$1,273.23	*1.1304*	$ 256.28	$ 202.08	$ 79.04	$ 587.73	$1,330.64	*1.1598*	*2.6%*	*4.5%*
41060	St. Cloud, MN	$ 214.58	$ 169.13	$ 64.36	$ 497.03	$1,117.70	*0.9221*	$ 219.07	$ 172.74	$ 66.14	$ 508.29	$1,144.08	*0.9166*	*-0.6%*	*2.3%*
43620	Sioux Falls, SD-MN	$ 196.35	$ 154.77	$ 58.08	$ 458.17	$1,026.53	*0.8000*	$ 203.11	$ 160.15	$ 60.60	$ 474.21	$1,064.07	*0.8123*	*1.5%*	*3.6%*
99924	Rural Minnesota	$ 211.84	$ 166.97	$ 63.42	$ 491.18	$1,103.96	*0.9037*	$ 225.54	$ 177.84	$ 68.38	$ 522.10	$1,176.53	*0.9589*	*6.1%*	*6.5%*

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