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

CBSA	CBSA Name	2026 Payment: Routine High Rate	Routine Low Rate	Continuous Home Care (Hourly)	Inpatient Respite Care	General Inpatient Care	*Wage Index*	2027 *Final Corrected* Payment: Routine High Rate	Routine Low Rate	Continuous Home Care (Hourly)	Inpatient Respite Care	General Inpatient Care	*Wage Index*	*Wage Index % Change*	*Average Rate % Change*
27900	Joplin, MO-KS	$ 196.35	$ 154.77	$ 58.08	$ 458.17	$1,026.53	*0.8000*	$ 201.05	$ 158.52	$ 59.90	$ 469.78	$1,053.71	*0.8000*	*0.0%*	*2.6%*
28140	Kansas City, MO-KS	$ 212.09	$ 167.17	$ 63.50	$ 491.72	$1,105.23	*0.9054*	$ 220.14	$ 173.57	$ 66.52	$ 510.55	$1,149.44	*0.9249*	*2.2%*	*3.9%*
29940	Lawrence, KS	$ 208.07	$ 164.00	$ 62.12	$ 483.16	$1,085.14	*0.8785*	$ 210.76	$ 166.17	$ 63.26	$ 490.51	$1,102.38	*0.8635*	*-1.7%*	*1.5%*
31740	Manhattan, KS	$ 199.25	$ 157.05	$ 59.08	$ 464.34	$1,041.01	*0.8194*	$ 210.77	$ 166.18	$ 63.27	$ 490.54	$1,102.45	*0.8636*	*5.4%*	*5.9%*
41140	St. Joseph, MO-KS	$ 200.04	$ 157.67	$ 59.35	$ 466.03	$1,044.97	*0.8247*	$ 204.18	$ 160.99	$ 60.98	$ 476.47	$1,069.42	*0.8205*	*-0.5%*	*2.3%*
45820	Topeka, KS	$ 199.28	$ 157.07	$ 59.09	$ 464.41	$1,041.16	*0.8196*	$ 207.41	$ 163.53	$ 62.10	$ 483.36	$1,085.59	*0.8416*	*2.7%*	*4.2%*
48620	Wichita, KS	$ 201.55	$ 158.86	$ 59.87	$ 469.24	$1,052.51	*0.8348*	$ 204.93	$ 161.58	$ 61.24	$ 478.07	$1,073.18	*0.8254*	*-1.1%*	*1.9%*
99917	Rural Kansas	$ 198.37	$ 156.35	$ 58.78	$ 462.46	$1,036.61	*0.8135*	$ 201.58	$ 158.94	$ 60.08	$ 470.92	$1,056.39	*0.8035*	*-1.2%*	*1.8%*

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