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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*
11700	Asheville, NC	$ 209.00	$ 164.73	$ 62.44	$ 485.13	$1,089.77	*0.8847*	$ 217.45	$ 171.45	$ 65.58	$ 504.80	$1,135.95	*0.9073*	*2.6%*	*4.2%*
15500	Burlington, NC	$ 207.09	$ 163.23	$ 61.78	$ 481.05	$1,080.21	*0.8719*	$ 213.71	$ 168.50	$ 64.29	$ 496.81	$1,117.17	*0.8828*	*1.3%*	*3.4%*
16740	Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia, NC-SC	$ 217.31	$ 171.29	$ 65.30	$ 502.86	$1,131.36	*0.9404*	$ 225.13	$ 177.50	$ 68.25	$ 521.19	$1,174.42	*0.9575*	*1.8%*	*3.8%*
20500	Durham-Chapel Hill, NC	$ 222.60	$ 175.45	$ 67.12	$ 514.13	$1,157.79	*0.9758*	$ 226.23	$ 178.37	$ 68.63	$ 523.54	$1,179.94	*0.9647*	*-1.1%*	*1.9%*
22180	Fayetteville, NC	$ 218.23	$ 172.01	$ 65.62	$ 504.80	$1,135.92	*0.9465*	$ 216.21	$ 170.47	$ 65.15	$ 502.16	$1,129.74	*0.8992*	*-5.0%*	*-0.6%*
24140	Goldsboro, NC	$ 213.07	$ 167.95	$ 63.84	$ 493.82	$1,110.16	*0.9120*	$ 215.16	$ 169.64	$ 64.79	$ 499.91	$1,124.45	*0.8923*	*-2.2%*	*1.2%*
24660	Greensboro-High Point, NC	$ 213.79	$ 168.51	$ 64.09	$ 495.35	$1,113.74	*0.9168*	$ 216.46	$ 170.67	$ 65.24	$ 502.68	$1,130.97	*0.9008*	*-1.7%*	*1.5%*
24780	Greenville, NC	$ 199.97	$ 157.61	$ 59.33	$ 465.87	$1,044.60	*0.8242*	$ 223.29	$ 176.05	$ 67.61	$ 517.27	$1,165.23	*0.9455*	*14.7%*	*11.5%*
25860	Hickory-Lenoir-Morganton, NC	$ 204.28	$ 161.01	$ 60.81	$ 475.07	$1,066.18	*0.8531*	$ 214.93	$ 169.46	$ 64.71	$ 499.42	$1,123.30	*0.8908*	*4.4%*	*5.3%*
27340	Jacksonville, NC	$ 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%*
38240	Pinehurst-Southern Pines, NC	$ 199.67	$ 157.38	$ 59.23	$ 465.23	$1,043.10	*0.8222*	$ 206.55	$ 162.86	$ 61.80	$ 481.53	$1,081.30	*0.8360*	*1.7%*	*3.6%*
39580	Raleigh-Cary, NC	$ 224.05	$ 176.59	$ 67.62	$ 517.21	$1,165.04	*0.9855*	$ 230.92	$ 182.07	$ 70.25	$ 533.56	$1,203.47	*0.9954*	*1.0%*	*3.2%*
40580	Rocky Mount, NC	$ 206.98	$ 163.14	$ 61.74	$ 480.83	$1,079.69	*0.8712*	$ 217.97	$ 171.86	$ 65.76	$ 505.91	$1,138.55	*0.9107*	*4.5%*	*5.4%*
47260	Virginia Beach-Chesapeake-Norfolk, VA-NC	$ 210.42	$ 165.85	$ 62.93	$ 488.15	$1,096.86	*0.8942*	$ 221.32	$ 174.50	$ 66.93	$ 513.06	$1,155.34	*0.9326*	*4.3%*	*5.3%*
48900	Wilmington, NC	$ 224.20	$ 176.71	$ 67.67	$ 517.53	$1,165.78	*0.9865*	$ 227.76	$ 179.57	$ 69.16	$ 526.80	$1,187.61	*0.9747*	*-1.2%*	*1.8%*
49180	Winston-Salem, NC	$ 215.70	$ 170.02	$ 64.75	$ 499.42	$1,123.30	*0.9296*	$ 228.50	$ 180.16	$ 69.42	$ 528.40	$1,191.36	*0.9796*	*5.4%*	*6.0%*
99934	Rural North Carolina	$ 198.17	$ 156.20	$ 58.71	$ 462.05	$1,035.64	*0.8122*	$ 209.61	$ 165.27	$ 62.86	$ 488.06	$1,096.63	*0.8560*	*5.4%*	*5.8%*

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