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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*
24260	Grand Island, NE	$ 222.76	$ 175.58	$ 67.18	$ 514.48	$1,158.61	*0.9769*	$ 229.16	$ 180.68	$ 69.65	$ 529.81	$1,194.66	*0.9839*	*0.7%*	*3.1%*
30700	Lincoln, NE	$ 229.66	$ 181.02	$ 69.55	$ 529.18	$1,193.11	*1.0231*	$ 233.04	$ 183.74	$ 70.99	$ 538.10	$1,214.13	*1.0093*	*-1.3%*	*1.7%*
36540	Omaha, NE-IA	$ 232.22	$ 183.03	$ 70.43	$ 534.63	$1,205.88	*1.0402*	$ 239.07	$ 188.49	$ 73.08	$ 550.96	$1,244.32	*1.0487*	*0.8%*	*3.1%*
43580	Sioux City, IA-NE-SD	$ 206.16	$ 162.50	$ 61.46	$ 479.08	$1,075.58	*0.8657*	$ 207.42	$ 163.54	$ 62.11	$ 483.39	$1,085.67	*0.8417*	*-2.8%*	*0.9%*
99928	Rural Nebraska	$ 209.25	$ 164.93	$ 62.53	$ 485.67	$1,091.04	*0.8864*	$ 219.58	$ 173.13	$ 66.32	$ 509.34	$1,146.60	*0.9212*	*3.9%*	*5.0%*

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