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To: All Hospice Providers

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Subject: Medicaid Hospice Rates Update

Section 3004 of the Affordable Care Act amended the Social Security Act to authorize a Medicare quality reporting program for hospices. Section 1814(i)(5)(A)(i) of the Social Security Act requires that beginning with FY 2014 and for each subsequent FY, the Secretary shall reduce the market basket update by 2 percent (2%) for any hospice provider that does not comply with the quality data submission requirements with respect to that FY. Medicaid minimum rates are reduced by the amount of any penalty due to non-reporting.

Based on these requirements, the two tables below include Medicaid hospice rates for fiscal year 2017. Table 1 includes the Medicaid hospice rates for those providers that have complied with the quality reporting requirements. Table 2 provides rates for those providers that have not complied with the reporting requirements.

Effective for dates of service on and after October 1, 2016, through September 30, 2017, Medicaid hospice rates are as follows:

Table 1 – Hospice Providers that Have Submitted Medicare Required Quality Data

| County | Revenue Code | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | 651 | | SIA | 652 | 655 | 656 |
| | Days 1-60 | Days 61-∞ | Up To | All Days | | |
| Franklin | \$176.59 | \$138.84 | \$148.80 | \$9.30 | \$169.41 | \$683.94 |
| Kootenai | \$176.86 | \$139.05 | \$149.12 | \$9.32 | \$169.61 | \$684.93 |
| Nez Perce | \$186.03 | \$146.26 | \$156.80 | \$9.80 | \$176.42 | \$717.82 |
| Bannock | \$186.97 | \$147.00 | \$157.60 | \$9.85 | \$177.13 | \$721.20 |
| Bonneville, Butte, and Jefferson | \$177.38 | \$139.46 | \$149.44 | \$9.34 | \$169.99 | \$686.77 |
| Ada, Boise, Canyon, Gem, and Owyhee | \$182.00 | \$143.09 | \$153.44 | \$9.59 | \$173.43 | \$703.37 |
| RURAL (all others) | \$163.31 | \$128.40 | \$137.60 | \$8.60 | \$159.54 | \$636.29 |

Table 2 – Hospice Providers that Have Not Submitted Medicare Required Quality Data

| County | Revenue Code | | | | | |
|--|------------------|------------------|--------------|-----------------|----------|----------|
| | 651 | | SIA | 652 | 655 | 656 |
| | <i>Days 1-60</i> | <i>Days 61-∞</i> | <i>Up To</i> | <i>All Days</i> | | |
| Franklin | \$173.06 | \$136.06 | \$145.82 | \$9.11 | \$166.02 | \$670.27 |
| Kootenai | \$173.33 | \$136.27 | \$146.14 | \$9.13 | \$166.22 | \$671.23 |
| Nez Perce | \$182.31 | \$143.33 | \$153.66 | \$9.60 | \$172.90 | \$703.46 |
| Bannock | \$183.23 | \$144.06 | \$154.45 | \$9.65 | \$173.58 | \$706.78 |
| Bonneville, Butte, and Jefferson | \$173.83 | \$136.67 | \$146.45 | \$9.15 | \$166.59 | \$673.03 |
| Ada, Boise, Canyon, Gem, and Owyhee | \$178.36 | \$140.23 | \$150.37 | \$9.40 | \$169.96 | \$689.31 |
| RURAL (<i>all others</i>) | \$160.04 | \$125.83 | \$134.85 | \$8.43 | \$156.35 | \$623.56 |

Counties not specifically stated above fall into the “RURAL (all others)” category.

Section 1814(i)(2)(B) of the Social Security Act also provides for an annual increase in the hospice cap amounts. The hospice cap runs from November 1st of each year through October 31st of the following year. The hospice cap amount for the cap year ending October 31, 2016, is \$28,404.99.

If you have questions about these rates please contact the Office of Reimbursement in the Idaho Division of Medicaid at (208) 364-1994.

Thank you for participating in the Idaho Medicaid Program.

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