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To: IHCP-enrolled Hospice Providers**Subject: Hospice Rate Revision Effective October 1, 2008****Overview**

The *American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009* delays the phaseout of the budget neutrality adjustment factor from the hospice wage index. Effective October 1, 2008, the budget neutrality adjustment factor was reduced by 25 percent for the first year of a three-year phaseout period. The hospice wage index published in the Federal Register on August 8, 2008, which was used to adjust Medicaid hospice rates effective October 1, 2008, in accordance with *405 IAC 1-16-2(a)*, included the phaseout of the budget neutrality adjustment factor.

Pursuant to the *American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009*, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) recently published a revised federal fiscal year (FFY) 2009 Hospice Wage Index that does not include the phaseout of the budget neutrality adjustment factor. Therefore, hospice rates effective October 1, 2008, have been revised and are listed in this bulletin. These revised rates are effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2008, through September 30, 2009.

Mass Adjustment Activity

Hospice claims with revenue codes 651, 652, 655, and 656 that are affected by the revised rates will be systematically mass adjusted and should appear on the Remittance Advice statement the week of July 20, 2009.

Hospice revenue code 659 will be excluded from this mass adjustment. This code is only for room and board for dually eligible members in nursing homes, and Medicare is responsible for the hospice *per diem*. Revenue codes 185, 183, and 180 are also excluded from this mass adjustment. Revenue 657 does not reflect a Medicaid hospice *per diem* payment and will also be excluded from this mass adjustment.

It is important to note that adjustments to hospice claims with revenue codes 653 and 654 may also include a reimbursement adjustment due to a recent change in the contracted nursing home's rate. Providers are encouraged to carefully review adjusted claims and coordinate with the contracted nursing home accordingly.

Table 1 – Hospice Wage Adjusted Rates Effective October 1, 2008

| County Name | County Code | Wage Index | Routine Home Care | Continuous Home Care, Full Rate, 24 Hours | Continuous Home Care, Hourly Rate | Inpatient Respite Care | General Inpatient Care |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------|-------------------|---|-----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Anderson | | | | | | | |
| Madison | 48 | 0.9412 | 134.49 | 784.24 | 32.68 | 147.56 | 599.22 |
| Bloomington | | | | | | | |
| Greene | 28 | 0.9506 | 135.39 | 789.52 | 32.90 | 148.33 | 602.97 |
| Monroe | 53 | 0.9506 | 135.39 | 789.52 | 32.90 | 148.33 | 602.97 |
| Owen | 60 | 0.9506 | 135.39 | 789.52 | 32.90 | 148.33 | 602.97 |
| Cincinnati | | | | | | | |
| Dearborn | 15 | 1.0432 | 144.31 | 841.52 | 35.06 | 155.97 | 639.88 |
| Ohio | 58 | 1.0432 | 144.31 | 841.52 | 35.06 | 155.97 | 639.88 |
| Franklin | 24 | 1.0432 | 144.31 | 841.52 | 35.06 | 155.97 | 639.88 |
| Columbus | | | | | | | |
| Bartholomew | 3 | 1.0169 | 141.78 | 826.75 | 34.45 | 153.80 | 629.40 |
| Elkhart-Goshen | | | | | | | |
| Elkhart | 20 | 1.0248 | 142.54 | 831.19 | 34.63 | 154.46 | 632.54 |
| Evansville | | | | | | | |
| Gibson | 26 | 0.9236 | 132.79 | 774.36 | 32.26 | 146.11 | 592.21 |
| Posey | 65 | 0.9236 | 132.79 | 774.36 | 32.26 | 146.11 | 592.21 |
| Vanderburgh | 82 | 0.9236 | 132.79 | 774.36 | 32.26 | 146.11 | 592.21 |
| Warrick | 87 | 0.9236 | 132.79 | 774.36 | 32.26 | 146.11 | 592.21 |
| Fort Wayne | | | | | | | |
| Allen | 2 | 0.9899 | 139.18 | 811.59 | 33.82 | 151.58 | 618.63 |
| Wells | 90 | 0.9899 | 139.18 | 811.59 | 33.82 | 151.58 | 618.63 |
| Whitley | 92 | 0.9899 | 139.18 | 811.59 | 33.82 | 151.58 | 618.63 |
| Gary | | | | | | | |
| Lake | 45 | 0.9835 | 138.56 | 807.99 | 33.67 | 151.05 | 616.08 |
| Jasper | 37 | 0.9835 | 138.56 | 807.99 | 33.67 | 151.05 | 616.08 |
| Newton | 56 | 0.9835 | 138.56 | 807.99 | 33.67 | 151.05 | 616.08 |
| Porter | 64 | 0.9835 | 138.56 | 807.99 | 33.67 | 151.05 | 616.08 |
| Indianapolis | | | | | | | |
| Boone | 6 | 1.0496 | 144.93 | 845.11 | 35.21 | 156.50 | 642.43 |
| Brown | 7 | 1.0496 | 144.93 | 845.11 | 35.21 | 156.50 | 642.43 |
| Hamilton | 29 | 1.0496 | 144.93 | 845.11 | 35.21 | 156.50 | 642.43 |
| Hancock | 30 | 1.0496 | 144.93 | 845.11 | 35.21 | 156.50 | 642.43 |

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| Hendricks | 32 | 1.0496 | 144.93 | 845.11 | 35.21 | 156.50 | 642.43 |
| Johnson | 41 | 1.0496 | 144.93 | 845.11 | 35.21 | 156.50 | 642.43 |
| Marion | 49 | 1.0496 | 144.93 | 845.11 | 35.21 | 156.50 | 642.43 |
| Morgan | 55 | 1.0496 | 144.93 | 845.11 | 35.21 | 156.50 | 642.43 |
| Putnam | 67 | 1.0496 | 144.93 | 845.11 | 35.21 | 156.50 | 642.43 |
| Shelby | 73 | 1.0496 | 144.93 | 845.11 | 35.21 | 156.50 | 642.43 |
| Kokomo | | | | | | | |
| Howard | 34 | 1.0226 | 142.33 | 829.95 | 34.58 | 154.27 | 631.67 |
| Tipton | 80 | 1.0226 | 142.33 | 829.95 | 34.58 | 154.27 | 631.67 |
| Lafayette | | | | | | | |
| Benton | 4 | 0.9457 | 134.92 | 786.77 | 32.78 | 147.93 | 601.02 |
| Carroll | 8 | 0.9457 | 134.92 | 786.77 | 32.78 | 147.93 | 601.02 |
| Tippecanoe | 79 | 0.9457 | 134.92 | 786.77 | 32.78 | 147.93 | 601.02 |
| Louisville | | | | | | | |
| Clark | 10 | 0.9666 | 136.93 | 798.50 | 33.27 | 149.65 | 609.35 |
| Floyd | 22 | 0.9666 | 136.93 | 798.50 | 33.27 | 149.65 | 609.35 |
| Harrison | 31 | 0.9666 | 136.93 | 798.50 | 33.27 | 149.65 | 609.35 |
| Washington | 88 | 0.9666 | 136.93 | 798.50 | 33.27 | 149.65 | 609.35 |
| Michigan City/LaPorte | | | | | | | |
| La Porte | 46 | 0.9505 | 135.38 | 789.46 | 32.89 | 148.33 | 602.93 |
| Muncie | | | | | | | |
| Delaware | 18 | 0.8758 | 128.19 | 747.52 | 31.15 | 142.16 | 573.16 |
| South Bend | | | | | | | |
| St. Joseph | 71 | 1.0254 | 142.60 | 831.52 | 34.65 | 154.51 | 632.78 |
| Terre Haute | | | | | | | |
| Clay | 11 | 0.9388 | 134.26 | 782.89 | 32.62 | 147.36 | 598.27 |
| Sullivan | 77 | 0.9388 | 134.26 | 782.89 | 32.62 | 147.36 | 598.27 |
| Vermillion | 83 | 0.9388 | 134.26 | 782.89 | 32.62 | 147.36 | 598.27 |
| Vigo | 84 | 0.9388 | 134.26 | 782.89 | 32.62 | 147.36 | 598.27 |
| Nonurban Areas | | | | | | | |
| Adams | 1 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Blackford | 5 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Cass | 9 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Clinton | 12 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |

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| Crawford | 13 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Daviess | 14 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| De Kalb | 17 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Decatur | 16 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Dubois | 19 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Fayette | 21 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Fountain | 23 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Fulton | 25 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Grant | 27 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Henry | 33 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Huntington | 35 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Jackson | 36 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Jay | 38 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Jefferson | 39 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Jennings | 40 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Knox | 42 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Kosciusko | 43 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Lagrange | 44 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Lawrence | 47 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Marshall | 50 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Martin | 51 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Miami | 52 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Montgomery | 54 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Noble | 57 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Orange | 59 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Parke | 61 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Perry | 62 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Pike | 63 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Pulaski | 66 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Randolph | 68 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Ripley | 69 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Rush | 70 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Scott | 72 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Spencer | 74 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Starke | 75 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |

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| Steuben | 76 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Switzerland | 78 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Union | 81 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Wabash | 85 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Warren | 86 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| Wayne | 89 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |
| White | 91 | 0.9144 | 131.91 | 769.19 | 32.05 | 145.35 | 588.54 |

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