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**101 CMR 343.00: Hospice Services**  
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**Rate Update**

Pursuant to 101 CMR 343.00, the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) has updated the hospice per diem and per hour rates for MassHealth Hospice providers to coincide with the Medicaid hospice rates established by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. In accordance with 101 CMR 343.01(1) and 343.04(3) this Administrative Bulletin announces the MassHealth hospice rates in effect from October 1, 2013, through September 30, 2014.

The expected fiscal impact for MassHealth for the effective period of these rates is an increase of \$74,225, based upon FY2013 spending of \$6,363,570 and an overall average increase of 1.17%.

The revised hospice per diem or per hour rates by county are as follows:

Norfolk, Plymouth, Suffolk	Current Rates	New Rates
Routine Home Care	\$181.28 per diem	\$184.25 per diem
Continuous Home Care	\$ 44.04 per hour	\$ 44.76 per hour
Inpatient Respite	\$190.74 per diem	\$193.90 per diem
General Inpatient	\$796.93 per diem	\$810.03 per diem

Middlesex	Current Rates	New Rates
Routine Home Care	\$169.64 per diem	\$172.04 per diem
Continuous Home Care	\$41.22 per hour	\$41.80 per hour
Inpatient Respite	\$180.77 per diem	\$183.44 per diem
General Inpatient	\$748.78 per diem	\$759.51 per diem

Essex	Current Rates	New Rates
Routine Home Care	\$164.09 per diem	\$164.27 per diem
Continuous Home Care	\$39.87 per hour	\$39.91 per hour
Inpatient Respite	\$176.01 per diem	\$176.78 per diem
General Inpatient	\$725.80 per diem	\$727.34 per diem

Bristol	Current Rates	New Rates
Routine Home Care	\$163.45 per diem	\$165.89 per diem
Continuous Home Care	\$39.71 per hour	\$40.30 per hour
Inpatient Respite	\$175.46 per diem	\$178.17 per diem
General Inpatient	\$723.14 per diem	\$734.05 per diem

Berkshire and Pittsfield	Current Rates	New Rates
Routine Home Care	\$163.20 per diem	\$166.13 per diem
Continuous Home Care	\$39.65 per hour	\$40.36 per hour
Inpatient Respite	\$175.25 per diem	\$178.37 per diem
General Inpatient	\$722.13 per diem	\$735.03 per diem

Hampden, Hampshire, Franklin	Current Rates	New Rates
Routine Home Care	\$159.20 per diem	\$162.37 per diem
Continuous Home Care	\$38.68 per hour	\$39.45 per hour
Inpatient Respite	\$171.83 per diem	\$175.15 per diem
General Inpatient	\$705.57 per diem	\$719.47 per diem

Worcester	Current Rates	New Rates
Routine Home Care	\$168.19 per diem	\$171.42 per diem
Continuous Home Care	\$40.86 per hour	\$41.65 per hour
Inpatient Respite	\$179.52 per diem	\$182.91 per diem
General Inpatient	\$742.76 per diem	\$756.93 per diem

Barnstable	Current Rates	New Rates
Routine Home Care	\$187.30 per diem	\$189.33 per diem
Continuous Home Care	\$45.50 per hour	\$46.00 per hour
Inpatient Respite	\$195.89 per diem	\$198.25 per diem
General Inpatient	\$821.84 per diem	\$831.05 per diem

Rural Mass (Dukes, Nantucket)	Current Rates	New Rates
Routine Home Care	\$199.49 per diem	\$196.95 per diem
Continuous Home Care	\$48.47 per hour	\$47.85 per hour
Inpatient Respite	\$206.34 per diem	\$204.78 per diem
General Inpatient	\$872.31 per diem	\$862.60 per diem