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Agency: Department of Health and Family Services

SBO Analyst: Robert Blaine (7-7980)

Title: Reduce Nursing Home Supplemental Payment and Labor Region Adjustments

Purpose of Draft: The purpose of this item is to reduce the supplemental payment made to nursing homes under s. 49.45 (6u). The following two changes are requested:

- Eliminates the direct care labor region adjustment for nursing homes in St. Croix, Pierce and Douglas counties under s. 49.45 (6m)(ar)1.a.
- Reduce references to the payment level under ss. 49.45 (6u)(bm) from \$77,000,000 to \$37,000,000.
- Eliminate language tying this supplemental payment to the amount of revenues raised through the intergovernmental transfer program by modifying ss. 49.45 (6u)(am) and (bm).

Suggested language:

s. 49.45 (6u)(am)

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s. 49.45 (6u) (bm)

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Priority: High

12/23/02: From Robert, in response to DAK question:
Because proposed draft ud. create 2 distributions,
regual 49.45 (6u) (bm) + add caremanagement orgs.
to 49.45 (6u) (am).

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D-NOTE

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From:

Blaine, Robert

Sent:

Tuesday, December 31, 2002 10:00 AM

To:

Kennedy, Debora

Subject:

RE: LRB Draft: 03-1252/1 Reduce nursing home MA supplemental payment and eliminate

direct care labor region adjustment

Hi Debora --

regarding your notes:

- 1. is the \$\$ to a CMO a "payment" or a "supplement." The section (6u) is titled "Supplemental Payments" -- thus, I think it is fine to call this a "payment", since per the section, one would argue such a payment is a "supplement." in other words, I don't think there are any specific advantages or reasons to label this in the language as a supplement.
- 2. Yes, I am aware that this draft is in conflict with our nursing home rate draft.
- 3. Yes, I would like this effective July 1, 2003.

Thanks!

----Original Message-----

From:

Greenslet, Patty

Sent:

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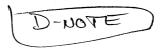


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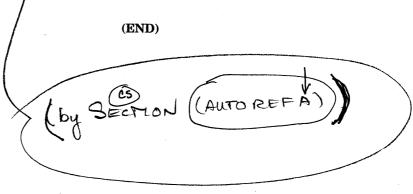
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SECTION 9424. Effective dates; health and family services.

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D-NOTE
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To Robert Blami:
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To Robert Blaine:

This draft reconciles LRB–0210/3 and LRB–1252/2, by attaching the 7/1/03 effective date to this bill's treatment of s. 49.45 (6m) (ar) 1. a. (which is also treated in LRB-0210/3, with an effective date of 7/1/04). Both LRB-0210 and LRB-1252 should continue to appear in the compiled bill.

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DOA:.....Blaine – BB0289 Reduce nursing home MA supplemental payment and eliminate direct care labor region adjustment

FOR 2003-05 BUDGET - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; relating to: reducing supplemental Medical Assistance payments to
publicly owned nursing homes and eliminating the direct care labor region
adjustment in the nursing home Medical Assistance payment formula.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

Under current law, the Medical Assistance (MA) Program is funded from state general purpose revenues and federal matching moneys under the federal MA Program (commonly known as "Medicaid"). However, in addition, counties may make intergovernmental transfers of moneys to the state as the nonfederal share of public moneys that serves as the basis for claims for federal Medicaid matching moneys. These federal matching moneys are expended for, among other things, reductions in the operating deficits of county, city, village, or town nursing homes. Currently, if federal matching moneys that are related to intergovernmental transfers are not received in a fiscal year, DHFS may distribute up to \$37,100,000 to these facilities or a lesser amount if other federal Medicaid matching moneys are reduced. If federal matching moneys that are related to intergovernmental transfers are received in a fiscal year, DHFS may distribute up to \$77,100,000 to these facilities and to care management organizations that contract with the facilities for services.

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This bill eliminates the distinction between receipt and nonreceipt of federal matching moneys that are related to intergovernmental transfers with respect to distributing moneys to reduce the operating deficits of county, city, village, or town nursing homes and, instead, authorizes DHFS to distribute up to a total of \$37,100,000 to these facilities and to care management organizations, regardless of whether federal matching moneys that are related to intergovernmental transfers are received or not.

Under current law, payments to nursing homes for services to recipients under MA are made under a formula that considers certain costs of individual nursing homes. In calculating direct care costs per patient day, DHFS uses standards that sample nursing homes in the state, as adjusted for regional labor cost variations. For nursing homes in Douglas, Pierce, and St. Croix counties, however, DHFS uses a federal Medicare Program hospital wage index.

This bill eliminates the use of a federal Medicare Program hospital wage index in calculating MA direct care costs for nursing homes in Douglas, Pierce, and St. Croix counties and requires, instead, that direct care costs for nursing homes in those counties be calculated as are direct care costs for nursing homes in other counties.

For further information see the **state and local** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 49.45 (6m) (ar) 1. a. of the statutes is amended to read:

49.45 (6m) (ar) 1. a. The department shall establish standards for payment of allowable direct care costs, for facilities that do not primarily serve the developmentally disabled, that take into account direct care costs for a sample of all of those facilities in this state and separate standards for payment of allowable direct care costs, for facilities that primarily serve the developmentally disabled, that take into account direct care costs for a sample of all of those facilities in this state. The standards shall be adjusted by the department for regional labor cost variations. For facilities in Douglas, Pierce, and St. Croix counties, the department shall perform the adjustment by use of the wage index that is used by the federal department of health and human services for hospital reimbursement under 42 USC 1395 to 1395ggg.

SECTION 2. 49.45 (6u) (am) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

49.45 (6u) (am) (intro.) Notwithstanding sub. (6m), in state fiscal years in which less than \$1 in federal financial participation relating to facilities is received under 42 CFR 433.51, from the appropriations under s. 20.435 (4) (o), (w), and (wm), for reduction of operating deficits, as defined under the methodology used by the department in December, 2000, incurred by a facility that is established under s. 49.70 (1) or that is owned and operated by a city, village, or town, and as payment to care management organizations, the department may not distribute to these facilities and to care management organizations more than \$37,100,000 in each fiscal year, as determined by the department. The total amount that a county certifies under this subsection may not exceed 100% of otherwise—unreimbursed care. In distributing funds under this subsection, the department shall perform all of the following:

SECTION 3. 49.45 (6u) (bm) of the statutes is repealed.

Section 9424. Effective dates; health and family services.

(1) NURSING HOME MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS. The treatment of section 49.45 (6m) (ar) 1. a. (by Section 1) and (6u) (am) (intro.) and (bm) of the statutes takes effect retroactively to July 1, 2003.