

Nursing Facility Reimbursement

An Informational Seminar Sponsored by the Minnesota Department of Human Services – Nursing Facility Rates and Policy Division

This year cost-based rate rebasing for nursing facilities begins on October 1, 2008 and will be phased in over the next eight years. This change to a cost-based system makes the accuracy of cost reporting far more critical due to the increased potential to impact your facility's reimbursement. With this change also comes the necessity for broadened scrutiny upon the audit of these cost reports. Nursing facility rates effective October 1, 2008 were established based on the costs that are submitted on the cost report for the period ended September 30, 2007. Join us to learn how to complete the cost report correctly, what documentation to retain for audit, how to read the new rate notices, and how to complete a compliant 2008 Wage Distribution Plan.

Presented by: Greg TaBelle, Nursing Facility Rates & Policy Audit Director.

Greg TaBelle began with DHS before Rule 50 became the 'new' rate setting method. His roles include overseeing the rate setting process, supervising audit staff, and working on the pricing of legislative proposals that affect nursing homes.

Kim Brenne, Nursing Facility Rates & Policy State Program Administrator.

Kim Brenne is a Senior State Program Administrator in the Nursing Facility Rates and Policy Division at DHS. Kim's responsibilities include the implementation of changes to the cost report based on legislative changes, desk reviews and other cost report analysis. Kim developed the "If Rebasing Started October 2007" tool for facilities to analyze the potential impact of rebasing prior to its implementation and the COLA Calculators.

Audience: Nursing home staff, central office staff and long-term care consultants.

Content: This seminar will provide the audience with an overview of MN Medicaid Nursing Facility cost reporting and related topics. The agenda will be:

- Review of rebasing
- Introduction to the new rate notice format
- Technical walk-through of the Medicaid cost report including identification of common errors and highlighting the changes to the 2008 cost report
- Review of supporting documentation requirements and record retention periods
- Over-view of the new COLA requirements and the 2008 COLA Calculators
- Questions and Answers session

Objectives: Upon completion of this seminar, the participant will be able to:

- Understand the basics of re-basing to costs and how the nursing facility's cost report impacts reimbursement
- Interpret the new October 1, 2008 rate notice
- Correctly compile data which will ensure the submission of an accurate Medicaid cost report and maximization of the Nursing Facility reimbursement rate
- Complete the Wage Distribution Plan for your facility

There is no fee for this seminar. However, registration is required as space is limited. To register, please email Bev Milotzky at:

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When registering please indicate the date and location you are planning to attend. Please include the number of participants that will be attending in your email. You will receive an email confirmation that your registration was received. **Please register no later than 5 days before the class date.**

Application has been made to BENHA for 2.75 clock hours for administrators. It is the responsibility of the participant to determine if the seminar meets their education requirements.

Date	Location	Time
September 24	Windom Community Center 1750 Cottonwood Lake Drive Windom, MN 56101	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
September 25	Ramada Hotel & Conference Center 1517 16 th Street SW Rochester, MN 55902	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
September 29	Earle Brown Heritage Center 6155 Earle Brown Drive Minneapolis, MN 55430	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
October 2	Edgewater Hotel & Conference Center 2400 London Road Duluth, MN 55812	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
October 7	Best Western Holland House & Suites 615 U.S. Highway 10 East Detroit Lakes, MN 56501	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
October 8	Best Western Kelly Inn 100 4 th Avenue South St. Cloud, MN 56301-3615	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Questions: For any questions related to registration, call Bev Milotzky at 651-431-2277 or e-mail at bev.milotzky@state.mn.us. For questions about the seminar content, call Kim Brenne at 651-431-4339 or e-mail at kimberly.brenne@state.mn.us.