

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT  
State Nebraska  
METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES

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INPATIENT PSYCHIATRIC FACILITIES FOR INDIVIDUALS AGE 21 OR YOUNGER

Nebraska Medicaid pays for inpatient psychiatric facility services for individuals age 21 or younger provided by hospitals at the rates established under the reimbursement plan for hospital services in Attachment 4.19-A.

Nebraska Medicaid pays for inpatient psychiatric facility services for individuals age 21 or younger provided by psychiatric residential treatment facilities and treatment group homes as follows:

Payment rates for these services are established on a unit (per day) basis. Rates are set annually. Rates are set prospectively for the annual rate period and are not adjusted during the rate period. Providers are required to submit annual cost reports on a uniform cost reporting form. In determining payment rates, the Department will consider those costs that are reasonable and necessary for the active treatment of the clients being served. Those costs include costs necessary for licensure and accreditation, meeting all staffing standards for participation, meeting all service standards for participation, meeting all requirements for active treatment, maintaining medical records, conducting utilization review, meeting inspection of care, and discharge planning.

The Department does not guarantee that all costs will be reimbursed. The submitted cost reports are used only as a guide in the rate-setting process. Payment rates do not include the costs of providing educational services.

Payment for services provided by facilities accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting organization will not include payment for room and board.

Services provided by inpatient psychiatric facilities that are state-operated are reimbursed at a rate that includes all reasonable and necessary costs of operation, excluding educational services. State-operated centers will receive an interim payment rate, with an adjustment to actual costs following the cost reporting period.

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of inpatient psychiatric facilities. The agency's fee schedule rate will be set as of July 1, 2017 and is effective for services provided on or after that date. All rates are published on the agency's website at [http://dhhs.ne.gov/medicaid/Pages/med\\_practitioner\\_fee\\_schedule.aspx](http://dhhs.ne.gov/medicaid/Pages/med_practitioner_fee_schedule.aspx).

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