

Chapter 11

Addendum C (FY 2008)

## Hospice Rate Information - Hospice Wage Indexes For Rural Areas - FY 2008

The following Hospice Indexes for Rural Areas are for care and services provided on or after October 1, 2007.

1. Wage index values are based on FY 2003 hospital cost report data before reclassification. This wage index is further adjusted. Wage index values greater than 0.8 are subject to a budget-neutrality adjustment. Wage index values below 0.8 are adjusted to be the greater of a 15% increase, subject to a maximum wage index value of 0.8, or a budget-neutrality adjustment calculated by multiplying the hospital wage index value for a given area by the budget-neutrality factor. We have completed all of these adjustments and included them in the wage index values reflected in this table.
2. All counties within the State are classified as urban.
3. Based on CBSA designations Massachusetts and Puerto Rico have areas designated as rural. However, no IPPS hospitals are located in those rural area(s) for FY 2008. Because more recent data is not available for those areas, TMA is using the methodology described in Medicare's Hospice Final Rule.

CBSA CODE	NONURBAN AREA	WAGE INDEX <sup>1</sup>	CBSA CODE	NONURBAN AREA	WAGE INDEX <sup>1</sup>
1	Alabama	0.8097	29	Nevada	0.9540
2	Alaska	1.1372	30	New Hampshire	1.1577
3	Arizona	0.9502	31	New Jersey <sup>2</sup>	-----
4	Arkansas	0.8000	32	New Mexico	0.8888
5	California	1.2218	33	New York	0.8781
6	Colorado	0.9947	34	North Carolina	0.9161
7	Connecticut	1.2490	35	North Dakota	0.8000
8	Delaware	1.0352	36	Ohio	0.9235
10	Florida	0.9167	37	Oklahoma	0.8138
11	Georgia	0.8099	38	Oregon	1.0403
12	Hawaii	1.1145	39	Pennsylvania	0.8875
13	Idaho	0.8661	40	Puerto Rico <sup>3</sup>	0.4654
14	Illinois	0.8875	41	Rhode Island <sup>2</sup>	-----
15	Indiana	0.9107	42	South Carolina	0.9137
16	Iowa	0.9260	43	South Dakota	0.9045
17	Kansas	0.8531	44	Tennessee	0.8349
18	Kentucky	0.8286	45	Texas	0.8496
19	Louisiana	0.8000	46	Utah	0.8683
20	Maine	0.9006	47	Vermont	1.0394
21	Maryland	0.9521	48	Virgin Islands	0.9032
22	Massachusetts <sup>3</sup>	1.2438	49	Virginia	0.8469
23	Michigan	0.9666	50	Washington	1.0947
24	Minnesota	0.9763	51	West Virginia	0.8114
25	Mississippi	0.8254	52	Wisconsin	1.0190
26	Missouri	0.8456	53	Wyoming	0.9915
27	Montana	0.9163	65	Guam	1.0252
28	Nebraska	0.9256			

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