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To: Hospital Administrators

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Subject: Notice of 2026 Medicaid Rates for Swing-bed Days and Administratively Necessary Days

Swing-bed Day and Administratively Necessary Day rates are based on the previous calendar year. They apply retroactively to services on or after January 1 of that year, as required by IDAPA 16.03.26.074.02.a and IDAPA 16.03.26.074.03. The department calculates these rates at the end of the first quarter of the calendar year, using data that includes a two-month run-off period to ensure claims information is complete and the rates are as accurate as possible.

Effective for dates of service on or after **January 1, 2026**, Idaho Medicaid will pay the following rates:

- Swing-bed Day: \$295.57
- Administratively Necessary Day: \$296.01

If you have questions about this information, please contact the Office of Reimbursement Policy at 208-287-1180 or email MedicaidReimTeam@dhw.idaho.gov.

Thank you for participating in the Idaho Medicaid program.

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