

PUBLIC NOTICE
Department of Health Services
Reimbursement of Midwifery
Services

The State of Wisconsin reimburses providers for services provided to Medical Assistance recipients under the authority of Title XIX of the Social Security Act and ss. 49.43 to 49.47, Wisconsin Statutes. This program, administered by the State's Department of Health Services (the Department), is called Medical Assistance (MA) or Medicaid. In addition, Wisconsin has expanded this program to create the BadgerCare Plus programs under the authority of Title XIX and Title XXI of the Social Security Act and s. 49.471 of the Wisconsin Statutes. Federal statutes and regulations require that a state plan be developed that provides the methods and standards for reimbursement of covered services. A plan that describes the reimbursement system for the services (methods and standards for reimbursement) is in effect.

Change in Covered Services and Payment Methods

The Department is making the following changes in the reimbursement methodology of Midwifery services. We will be establishing reimbursement rates for this provider type to a maximum fee schedule moving forward.

The change will be effective February 1, 2023. The change to Medicaid, BadgerCare, and BadgerCare Plus is projected to result in increased annual expenditures of \$250,000 all funds (AF), composed of \$159,000 federal match (FED) and \$91,000 state funds/general purpose revenue (GPR).

Copies of Changes

Copies of the Midwifery Reimbursement Medicaid state plan amendment may be obtained free of charge by calling or writing:

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Copies of the state plan change will be made available for review at the main office of any county department of social services or human services.

Written Comments

Written comments are welcome. Written comments on the proposed changes may be sent by FAX, e-mail, or regular mail to the Division of Medicaid Services as described above. All written comments will be reviewed and considered.

Because the State Office Building at 1 West Wilson Street, Madison, Wisconsin is currently closed to the public, written comments will not be available for in person public review. Requests to review written comments received may be submitted to the Division of Medicaid Services as described above. Revisions may be made in the proposed change based on comments received.