

Example Daily Rate Payment Community Nursing Home

For individuals eligible for extraordinary care payments (i.e., challenging behaviors) the community nursing home total rates are a combination of the RUGS score of the individual and any potential additional payment category eligibility.

- RUGS scores are calculated from the Minimum Data Set (MDS) assessment completed on a scheduled basis for every individual in a nursing home. The RUGS score directs a case mix score which is multiplied times the facility daily rate. The base case mix is 1.0, essentially no adjustment to the facility daily rate.
- Some items, such as dementia are included in the RUGS score; not all of the costs of caring for an individual with challenging behaviors are captured by the RUGS score.
- The add-on payment is in addition to the payment based on the case mix score.
- Each individual nursing home has their own base daily rate. The daily rate is composed of the direct care rate, which is subject to case mix adjustment and the non-direct rate.

Example Rates:

Diagnosis	Eligible for Additional Payment due to Behaviors exceeding those captured by MDS assessment	Community Nursing Home Location	Total Rate Paid
Vascular Dementia with Behavioral Disturbance	Yes	Jenkins, Watertown	\$286.56
Schizoaffective Disorder	Yes	Jenkins, Watertown	\$267.60
Schizoaffective Disorder	Yes	Irene Challenging Behavior Unit	\$271.46
Vascular Dementia with Behavioral Disturbances	Yes	Irene Challenging Behavior Unit	\$271.46
Paranoid Schizophrenia	Yes	Good Sam Canistota	\$265.74
Traumatic Brain Injury	Yes	Good Sam Canistota	\$225.66

Methods for determining rate paid:

- Individual case mix adjusted daily rates are augmented with additional payment up to a standardized total daily rate per day. Methodology used for distinct units for challenging behaviors.
- A standard daily rate for the additional care payment is added to their individual case mix adjusted daily rate; equals total rate paid.