

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State Nevada

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E. Special Care Rates:

1. The Division of Health Care Financing and Policy shall establish special care rates for recipients ages 21 and over that are ventilator dependent, or behaviorally complex and pediatric recipients less than 21 years of age with special high cost care needs and/or who are ventilator dependent. These special care rates will be all-inclusive per diem rates based on the costs of providing services to recipients.
 - a. Effective August 1, 2011 the per diem rate for recipients ages 21 and over that are ventilator dependent is the facility-specific fair rental value per diem, as computed under section B.3.c. of this attachment, plus an add-on of \$495.00.
 - b. The per diem rate for behaviorally complex recipients is the facility-specific per diem rate plus an add-on of \$261.29. The behaviorally complex add-on rate is the starting hourly wage plus benefits for a certified nursing assistant employed by the State of Nevada for 22 hours per day adjusted for a staff to patient ratio of 1 to 1.25.
 - c. The per diem rate for recipients less than 21 years of age with special high cost care needs is the facility-specific fair rental value per diem, as computed under section B.3.c. of this attachment, plus an add-on of \$475.00.
 - d. The per diem rate for recipients less than 21 years of age that are ventilator dependent is the facility-specific fair rental value per diem, as computed under section B.3.c. of this attachment, plus an add-on of \$600.00.
2. The Division of Health Care Financing and Policy shall establish all-inclusive per diem special care rates for Medicaid recipients with unique high cost care needs when necessary to avoid out-of-state nursing facility placements. Nursing facilities may not bill the Medicaid program for special care recipients other than on a per diem basis using the established special care rate. Rates will address the following client care issues:
 - a. Patient's acuity
 - b. Availability of beds
 - c. Patient's freedom of choice
3. When special care rates are required or when multiple facilities are equally acceptable under F.2. above, the nursing facility with the lowest per diem rate will be selected. The per diem rate will not exceed the facility's usual and customary rate for similar services.