

## Hospice Rate Information - Hospice Wage Indexes For Rural Areas - FY 2016

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Source: 80 FR 47142. Medicare program; FY 2016 Hospice Wage Index and Payment Rate Update and Hospice Quality Reporting Requirements; Final Rule.

The FY 2016 wage indexes for urban and rural areas have been combined into a single transitional file available on the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) web site at <http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/Hospice/index.html>. The wage index file provides a crosswalk between the FY 2016 wage index using the current OMB delineations in effect on FY 2015 and the FY 2016 wage index using the revised OMB delineations, as well as the transition wage index values that will be in effect in FY 2016. Refer to [Addendum B \(FY 2016\)](#) for additional details regarding the transition process.

This is a temporary consolidation of previously separate addendums (separate urban and rural wage index addendums) to accommodate the transition Wage Index that is to be used for FY 2016.

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