

Medicare Proposes New Payment Rates for Dialysis Treatments

Jun 24, 2026, 5:25 PM EDT

Ganny Belloni

Reporter

The Trump administration announced a proposal to change dialysis services reimbursements under the Medicare program starting in 2027.

A proposed rule ([RIN 0938-AV81](#)) released Wednesday by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services seeks to revise the Medicare rates for end-stage renal disease services based on current market data. The proposal will update the base rates for end-stage renal disease payments to \$299.55, or a 1.1% increase in 2027.

This amount includes a \$15.96 increase to account for the use of a class of drugs known as phosphate binders, which are used by dialysis patients to manage complications from treatment.

The agency's proposal also incorporates payment adjustments for low-volume facilities, pediatric patients, and home and self-dialysis training. Beginning in 2029, the agency plans to remove various quality reporting measures for dialysis providers related to Covid-19 vaccinations and patient medication drug histories, citing changes to CDC's vaccine recommendations.

Reporting requirements for high blood calcium levels will also be replaced with a facility-level measure of chronically high blood phosphate levels.

The CMS also requests public input on a new performance measure assessing patient satisfaction with discussions about their life goals and the extent to which those goals are incorporated into treatment by their care team.

To contact the reporter on this story: [Ganny Belloni](#) at gbelloni@bloombergindustry.com