

**441—80.5(249A) Payment to provider—exception.** Payments for medical services may be made only to the provider of the services except as provided below.

**80.5(1)** *Medical assistance corrective payments.* Payment may be made to the client or county relief agency in accordance with 441—Chapter 75.

**80.5(2)** *Assignment.* Payment may be made in accordance with an assignment to a county for medical services received while the recipient was receiving interim assistance or while an appeal of a denial of medical assistance was pending.

**80.5(3)** *Business agent of provider.* Payment may be made to a business agent that furnishes statements and receives payments in the name of the provider if the agent's compensation is:

- a. Related to the cost of processing the billing.
- b. Not related on a percentage or other basis to the amount that is billed or collected.
- c. Not dependent upon the collection of the payment.

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