



State Plan Amendments

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10/1 Rate Changes

- IHS/638s are primarily paid the AIR which is not impacted by this SPA
- Hospice per diem rates updated to match the Medicaid Hospice Payment Rates for Arizona published by Medicare.
- Inpatient Hospital APR-DRG outlier cost-to-charge ratios updated to match the Medicare Inpatient Prospective Payment System 2018 ratios.
- Physician Drug Schedule rates updated to address changes in drug prices resulting in a 3.5% aggregate increase.
- Nursing Facility per diem rates updated for a uniform increase of 3.0%.

10/1 Rate Changes

- Long-Term Acute Care Hospital and Rehabilitation Hospital inpatient per diem rates updated for changes in hospital case mix indices and outlier cost-to-charge ratios updated to match Medicare 2018 ratios for an aggregate increase of 0.1%.
- Outpatient Behavioral Health Fee Schedule rates remain unchanged with the exception of a 3.0% increase to the Behavioral Health Short-Term Residential per diem, resulting in an aggregate increase of 1.3% to this fee schedule, in order to ensure access to care.

10/1 Rate Changes

Changes reflecting Medicare fee schedules

- Ambulatory Surgical Center Fee Schedule rates for an aggregate change of -0.2%.
- Physician Fee Schedule rates for an aggregate change of +0.7%.
- Clinical Laboratory Fee Schedule rates for an aggregate change of -0.8%.
- Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies Fee Schedule rates for an aggregate change of +0.2%.
- Outpatient Hospital Fee Schedule rates for a change of 0%.

Differential Adjusted Payments (DAP) Programs

- The DAP program provides increased reimbursement rates for providers who meet specified criteria
- IHS/638 facilities are exempt from the program as they receive reimbursement at the AIR
- DAP eligible providers:
 - Hospitals and inpatient facilities
 - Integrated Clinics
 - Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, and Physician Assistants
 - Nursing Facilities

Hospital DAP

- APR-DRG Hospitals and Other Hospitals and Inpatient Facilities
 - Will receive 3% rate increase if by June 15, 2018 hospitals submit letter of intent to achieve specific milestones related to participating in the HIE
 - Must achieve milestones and maintain participation to receive DAP increase
- APR-DRG Hospitals can receive an additional .5% if they meet the above requirements and hold a Pediatric-Prepared Emergency Care certification

Integrated Clinic DAP

- Integrated Clinics can receive a 10% increase on certain physical health codes if they achieve the following
 - Licensed as an Outpatient Treatment Clinic that provides physical and behavioral health services
 - Over 40% of services are BH services
 - Execute an agreement with a qualifying health information exchange organization and electronically transfer information, including both a registration event as well as an encounter summary, to a qualifying health information exchange organization.

Physician, Nurse Practitioner, Physicians Assistants DAP

- Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, and Physicians Assistants will receive a 1% increase for all services billed on the CMS Form 1500 if they achieve the following:
 - At least 80 prescriptions to AHCCCS members
 - At least 60% of AHCCCS prescriptions are E-prescriptions

Nursing Facility DAP

- Nursing facilities will receive a 2% increase if they achieve the following:
 - Meet or fall below the Arizona average percent of High-Risk Residents with Pressure Ulcers (Long Stay) based on the facility's performance results for long-stay, high-risk residents with Stage II-IV pressure ulcers reported in MDS 3.0 for this CMS Nursing Home Quality Measure metric

DSH SPA 2019

- This SPA will renew the Disproportionate Share Hospital program for federal fiscal year 2019
- The DSH program provides financial assistance to hospitals that serve a large number of low-income patients
- IHS/638 hospitals may be eligible to received DSH program payments

Question?



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