STATE OF LOUISIANA

## PAYMENT FOR MEDICAL AND REMEDIAL CARE AND SERVICES

## METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING RATES - IN-PATIENT HOSPITAL CARE

Effective on or after July 1, 2019, the outlier pool for admissions during SFY 2019 and subsequent SFYs, shall cover eligible claims and shall not exceed \$21,092,179 annually. Payment shall be the costs of each hospital's eligible claims, less the prospective payment, divided by the sum of all eligible claims costs in excess of payments, multiplied by \$21,092,179.

## 8. Reimbursement for Small Rural Hospitals

- a. Effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2008, small rural hospitals as defined in D.3.b. shall be reimbursed at a prospective per diem rate. The per diem rate shall be the median cost plus ten percent which shall be calculated based on each hospital's year-end cost report period ending in calendar year 2006. If the cost reporting period is not a full period (twelve months), the latest filed full period cost report shall be used. The Medicaid cost per inpatient day for each small rural hospital shall be inflated from their applicable cost reporting period to the midpoint of the implementation year (December 31, 2008) by the Medicare market basket inflation factor for PPS hospitals, then arrayed from high too low to determine the median inpatient acute cost per day for all small rural hospitals. The payment rate for inpatient acute services in small rural hospitals shall be the median cost amount plus ten percent. The median cost and rates shall be rebased at least every other year using the latest filed full period cost reports as filed in accordance with Medicare timely filing guidelines.
- b. Effective for dates of service on or after August 1, 2010, quarterly supplemental payments will be issued to qualifying small rural hospitals for inpatient services rendered during the quarter.
  - 1. Qualifying criteria
    - a. Public (non-state) small rural hospital a small rural hospital as defined in D.3.b.(1) which is owned by a local government and as of August 1, 2010 and has a certified neonatal intensive care unit.
    - b. Private small rural hospital- a small rural hospital as defined in D.3.b.(1)(i)
  - 2. Reimbursement methodology each qualifying hospital shall receive quarterly supplemental payments for the inpatient services rendered during the quarter. Quarterly payments shall be the difference between each qualifying hospital's inpatient Medicaid billed charges and Medicaid payments the hospital receives for covered inpatient services provided to Medicaid recipients. Medicaid billed charges and payments will be based on a 12 consecutive month period for claims data selected by the Department. In the event that the above supplemental payments exceed state appropriated amounts, payment amounts to qualifying hospitals shall be reduced on a pro rata basis to equal the state appropriated level of funding.

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