

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PAYMENTS FOR MEDICAL AND REMEDIAL CARE AND SERVICES

METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES - OTHER TYPES OF CARE OR SERVICE LISTED IN SECTION 1905 (A) OF THE ACT THAT ARE INCLUDED IN THE PROGRAM UNDER THE PLAN ARE DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

Urban Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) Facility – Baton Rouge Area

Qualifying Criteria

In order to qualify as an urban metropolitan statistical area (MSA) facility [in the Baton Rouge area](#), the hospital must:

1. have a facility type code of acute and opened subsequent to the March 13, 2020 presidential declaration of a national emergency concerning the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) to provide availability of additional beds and services for COVID-19 patients;
2. have been licensed and certified no later than June 30, 2020, and located in zip code 70806, east of I-110, north of I-10, and south of Business Highway 190;
3. be located in an urban metropolitan statistical area (MSA) as defined by the United States Office of Management and Budget;
4. have an operational emergency room and is located greater than five miles in distance from the closest hospital emergency room; and
5. be located on a single site.

These provisions qualify The General Hospital also known as “Baton Rouge General – Mid-City Location”, as ~~the only a~~ qualifying urban MSA facility.

Reimbursement Methodology

Effective for dates of service on or after July 2, 2022, payments for outpatient services to an urban MSA facility that meet all of the criteria above shall be made in accordance with the following:

1. **Outpatient Surgery:** An interim payment equal to the Medicaid fee schedule amount on file for each service, and a final reimbursement amount of 95 percent of allowable Medicaid cost as calculated through the cost report settlement process. Payment for Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) laboratory testing shall be made in addition to the outpatient surgery fee schedule reimbursement amount claim payment. The procedure codes and rates applicable to COVID-19 testing are published on the Louisiana Medicaid website at www.lamedicaid.com. The COVID-19 laboratory testing claim payment shall be a final payment and shall not be subject to cost settlement.
2. **Clinic Services:** An interim payment equal to the Medicaid fee schedule amount on file for each service, and a final reimbursement amount of 95 percent of allowable Medicaid cost as calculated through the cost report settlement process.
3. **Laboratory Services:** The Medicaid fee schedule amount on file for each service.

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Urban Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) Facility – New Orleans Area

Qualifying Criteria

In order to qualify as an urban metropolitan statistical area (MSA) facility-New Orleans area, the hospital must:

1. be designated a non-rural hospital service district located in Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) region 1, with a facility type code of acute, with an original hospital license date before July 13, 2014, but after July 1, 2014, located in zip code 70127;
2. be located in a MSA as defined by United States Office of Management and Budget;
3. have an operational emergency room; and
4. not add additional locations under this license, without prior written approval of the Department.

These provisions qualify New Orleans East Hospital as a qualifying urban MSA facility.

Reimbursement Methodology

Effective for dates of service on or after October 11, 2022 payments for outpatient services to qualifying urban MSA hospitals–New Orleans area meet all of the criteria above shall be made in accordance with the following:

1. **Outpatient Surgery:** An interim payment equal to the Medicaid fee schedule amount on file for each service, and a final reimbursement amount of 95 percent of allowable Medicaid cost as calculated through the cost report settlement process. Payment for Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) laboratory testing shall be made in addition to the outpatient surgery fee schedule reimbursement amount claim payment. The procedure codes and rates applicable to COVID-19 testing are published on the Louisiana Medicaid website at www.lamedicaid.com. The COVID-19 laboratory testing claim payment shall be a final payment and shall not be subject to cost settlement.
2. **Clinic Services:** An interim payment equal to the Medicaid fee schedule amount on file for each service, and a final reimbursement amount of 95 percent of allowable Medicaid cost as calculated through the cost report settlement process.
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4. **Rehabilitation Services:** An interim payment equal to the Medicaid fee schedule amount on file for each service, and a final reimbursement amount of 95 percent of allowable Medicaid cost as calculated through the cost report settlement process.

5. **Other Outpatient Hospital Services:** For outpatient hospital services other than clinical diagnostic laboratory services, outpatient surgeries, rehabilitation services, and outpatient hospital facility fees, reimbursement shall be an interim payment equal to 95 percent of allowable Medicaid cost as calculated through the cost report settlement process.

The above payment rates are contingent on the hospital continuing to meet all qualifying criteria set forth above. The addition of any off-site campus, beyond an outpatient primary care clinic, to the license of this hospital will invalidate the provisions of this reimbursement methodology.