Program Memorandum
Intermediaries/Carriers

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CHANGE REQUEST 2316

SUBJECT: Update of Rates and Wage Index for Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) Payments Effective October 1, 2002

In accordance with §1833(i)(2)(C) of the Social Security Act, ASC facility payment rates will change to reflect an inflation adjustment effective for services furnished on or after October 1, 2002. The statute provides that the ASC payment rates for FY 2003 be updated by the percentage increase in the consumer price index for all urban consumers (CPI-U).

The ASC payment rates for facility services furnished on or after October 1, 2002 are as follows:

Group 1 - $333   Group 5 - $717
Group 2 - $446   Group 6- $826 ($676 + $150 for intraocular lenses (IOLs))
Group 3 - $510   Group 7 - $995
Group 4 - $630   Group 8 - $973 ($823 + $150 for IOLs)
                      Group 9- $1339

We are attaching fiscal year (FY) 2003 wage index values for urban areas and for rural areas for you to use when calculating individual ASC payment amounts, effective for services furnished on or after October 1, 2002. These wage index values were published August 1, 2002, in the **Federal Register** as part of the FY 2003 update of the hospital inpatient prospective payment system (PPS) (67 FR 49982). In addition, we are attaching a table entitled "Fiscal Year 2003 Wage Index Values to Calculate ASC Payments for Facilities Located in Counties That Are Deemed Urban Under §1886(d)(8)(B) of the Act Effective for Services On or After October 1, 2002," that applies exclusively to the calculation of payments for any Medicare participating ASCs located in the areas designated.

You will note that we are also including Group 9 with this update; this group has been in our payment system since the early 1990s but has not been utilized because payment for the one code in this group, CPT 50590, has not been made, subject to a court stay (American Lithotripsy Society v. Sullivan, 785, F. Supp. 1035 (D.D.C. 1992)). However, we are planning to add several procedures to the ASC list effective in FY 2003 which will utilize this payment level. The amount of $1339 reflects the update of this group 9 rate for all the CPI-U updates since this group was established.

Some of the values in the attached wage index tables may change to reflect corrections made after publication of the PPS final rule or changes resulting from congressional review of the PPS final rule, but we do not expect these changes to be numerous. We will advise you immediately of any changes.

Until the new ASC rates are loaded into your claims production environment, you may choose whichever of the following interim options is cost effective for you for handling ASC facility claims for dates of service on or after October 1, 2002:

CMS-Pub. 60AB

Option 1: Hold claims for ASC facility services furnished on or after October 1, 2002, until the updated ASC facility rates and new wage indexes are installed in your claim production system. If you choose to hold ASC facility claims for dates of service on or after October 1, 2002, you may split claims received during that period, as necessary (i.e., ASC claims that are for facility services before October 1, 2002, and after September 30, 2002). If applicable, pay interest on clean ASC claims delayed beyond statutory claims processing timeliness standards.

NOTE: This option pertains to a brief delay in the loading of fees in time for an October 1, 2002 implementation and claims can be held for a short period during October.

Option 2: Process ASC facility claims for dates of service on or after October 1, 2002, using last year's (FY 2002) rates and wage indexes. If you choose option 2, you must go back and adjust ASC facility claims paid for services furnished on or after October 1, 2002, that were processed prior to the installation of the updated rates and wage indexes.

Special Note to Fiscal Intermediaries:

Only those fiscal intermediaries that process bills from Indian health service hospitals, critical access hospitals, Maryland hospitals, and hospitals located in American Samoa, Guam, and Saipan need to load ASC PRICER software.

The effective date for this Program Memorandum (PM) is October 1, 2002.

The implementation date for this PM is October 1, 2002.

These instructions should be implemented within your current operating budget.

This PM may be discarded October 1, 2003.

If you have any questions, contact the appropriate regional office. Providers and other interested parties should contact the appropriate contractor.

Attachments

Attachment 1

FY 2003 Inpatient PPS Wage Index for Use in Calculating Ambulatory Surgical Center Payments Effective for Services Furnished On or After October 1, 2002

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WAGE INDEX FOR URBAN AREAS

	Urban Area (Constituent Counties)	Wage Index
0040	[2]Abilene, TX Taylor, TX	0.7827

0060	Aguadilla, PR
	    Aguada, PR
	    Aguadilla, PR
	    Moca, PR
		0.4587

0080	Akron, OH
	    Portage, OH
	    Summit, OH
		0.9600

0120	Albany, GA
	    Dougherty, GA
	    Lee, GA
		1.0594

0160	[2]Albany-Schenectady-Troy, NY
	    Albany, NY
	    Montgomery, NY
	    Rensselaer, NY
	    Saratoga, NY
	    Schenectady, NY
	    Schoharie, NY
		0.8542

0200	Albuquerque, NM
	    Bernalillo, NM
	    Sandoval, NM
	    Valencia, NM
		0.9390

0220	Alexandria, LA Rapides, LA	0.7883

0240	Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton, PA
	    Carbon, PA
	    Lehigh, PA
	    Northampton, PA
		0.9735

0280	Altoona, PA Blair, PA	0.9225
0320	Amarillo, TX Potter, TX Randall, TX	0.9034
0380	Anchorage, AK Anchorage, AK	1.2490

0440	Ann Arbor, MI
	    Lenawee, MI
	    Livingston, MI
	    Washtenaw, MI
		1.1103

0450	Anniston, AL Calhoun, AL	0.8044

0460	[2]Appleton-Oshkosh-Neenah, WI
	    Calumet, WI
	    Outagamie, WI
	    Winnebago, WI
		0.9162

0470	[2]Arecibo, PR
	    Arecibo, PR
	    Camuy, PR
	    Hatillo, PR
		0.4356

0480	Asheville, NC
	    Buncombe, NC
	    Madison, NC
		0.9876

0500	Athens, GA
	    Clarke, GA
	    Madison, GA
	    Oconee, GA
		1.0211

520	[1]Atlanta, GA
	    Barrow, GA
	    Bartow, GA
	    Carroll, GA
	    Cherokee, GA
	    Clayton, GA
	    Cobb, GA
	    Coweta, GA
	    DeKalb, GA
	    Douglas, GA
	    Fayette, GA
	    Forsyth, GA
	    Fulton, GA
	    Gwinnett, GA
	    Henry, GA
	    Newton, GA
	    Paulding, GA
	    Pickens, GA
	    Rockdale, GA
	    Spalding, GA
	    Walton, GA
		0.9991

0560	Atlantic-Cape May, NJ
	    Atlantic, NJ
	    Cape May, NJ
		1.1017

0580	Auburn-Opelika, AL Lee, AL	0.8325

0600	Augusta-Aiken, GA-SC
	    Columbia, GA
	    McDuffie, GA
	    Richmond, GA
	    Aiken, SC
	    Edgefield, SC
		1.0264

0640	[1]Austin-San Marcos, TX
	    Bastrop, TX
	    Caldwell, TX
	    Hays, TX
	    Travis, TX
	    Williamson, TX
		0.9637

0680	Bakersfield, CA Kern, CA	0.9899

0720	[1]Baltimore, MD
	     Anne Arundel, MD
	     Baltimore, MD
	     Baltimore City, MD
	     Carroll, MD
	     Harford, MD
	     Howard, MD
	     Queen Anne's, MD
		0.9929

0733	Bangor, ME Penobscot, ME	0.9664
0743	Barnstable-Yarmouth, MA Barnstable, MA	1.3202

0760	Baton Rouge, LA
	     Ascension, LA
	     East Baton Rouge, LA
	     Livingston, LA
	     West Baton Rouge, LA
		0.8294

0840	Beaumont-Port Arthur, TX
	     Hardin, TX
	     Jefferson, TX
	     Orange, TX
		0.8324

0860	Bellingham, WA Whatcom, WA	1.2282
0870	Benton Harbor, MI Berrien, MI	0.9106

0875	[1]Bergen-Passaic, NJ
	     Bergen, NJ
	     Passaic, NJ
		1.2207

0880	Billings, MT Yellowstone, MT	0.9022

0920	Biloxi-Gulfport-Pascagoula, MS
	     Hancock, MS
	     Harrison, MS
	     Jackson, MS
		0.8757

0960	[2]Binghamton, NY
	     Broome, NY
	     Tioga, NY
		0.8542

1000	Birmingham, AL
	     Blount, AL
	     Jefferson, AL
	     St. Clair, AL
	     Shelby, AL
		0.9222

1010	Bismarck, ND
	    Burleigh, ND
	    Morton, ND
		0.7972

1020	Bloomington, IN Monroe, IN	0.8907
1040	Bloomington-Normal, IL McLean, IL	0.9109

1080	Boise City, ID
	    Ada, ID
	    Canyon, ID
		0.9310

1123	[1,2]Boston-Worcester-Lawrence-Lowell-Brockton, MA-NH (MA Hospitals)
	    Bristol, MA
	    Essex, MA
	    Middlesex, MA
	    Norfolk, MA
	    Plymouth, MA
	    Suffolk, MA
	    Worcester, MA
	    Hillsborough, NH
	    Merrimack, NH
	    Rockingham, NH
	    Strafford, NH
		1.1288

1123	[1]Boston-Worcester-Lawrence-Lowell-Brockton, MA-NH (NH Hospitals)
	    Bristol, MA
	    Essex, MA
	    Middlesex, MA
	    Norfolk, MA
	    Plymouth, MA
	    Suffolk, MA
	    Worcester, MA
	    Hillsborough, NH
	    Merrimack, NH
	    Rockingham, NH
	    Strafford, NH
		1.1235

1125	Boulder-Longmont, CO Boulder, CO	0.9689
1145	Brazoria, TX Brazoria, TX	0.8535
1150	Bremerton, WA Kitsap, WA	1.0944
1240	Brownsville-Harlingen-San Benito, TX Cameron, TX	0.8880

1260	Bryan-College Station, TX	
	Brazos, TX	0.8821
1280	[1]Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY	
	Erie, NY	
	Niagara, NY	0.9365
1303	Burlington, VT	
	Chittenden, VT	
	Franklin, VT	
	Grand Isle, VT	1.0052
1310	Caguas, PR	
	Caguas, PR	
	Cayey, PR	
	Cidra, PR	
	Gurabo, PR	
	San Lorenzo, PR	0.4408
1320	Canton-Massillon, OH	
	Carroll, OH	
	Stark, OH	0.8932
1350	Casper, WY	
	Natrona, WY	0.9690
1360	Cedar Rapids, IA	
	Linn, IA	0.9056
1400	Champaign-Urbana, IL	
	Champaign, IL	1.0635
1440	Charleston-North Charleston, SC	
	Berkeley, SC	
	Charleston, SC	
	Dorchester, SC	0.9235
1480	Charleston, WV	
	Kanawha, WV	
	Putnam, WV	0.8898
1520	[1]Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill, NC-SC	
	Cabarrus, NC	
	Gaston, NC	
	Lincoln, NC	
	Mecklenburg, NC	
	Rowan, NC	
	Stanly, NC	
	Union, NC	
	York, SC	0.9850

1540	Charlottesville, VA	
	Albemarle, VA	
	Charlottesville City, VA	
	Fluvanna, VA	
	Greene, VA	1.0438
1560	Chattanooga, TN-GA	
	Catoosa, GA	
	Dade, GA	
	Walker, GA	
	Hamilton, TN	
	Marion, TN	0.8976
1580	[2]Cheyenne, WY	
	Laramie, WY	0.9007
1600	[1]Chicago, IL	
	Cook, IL	
	DeKalb, IL	
	DuPage, IL	
	Grundy, IL	
	Kane, IL	
	Kendall, IL	
	Lake, IL	
	McHenry, IL	
	Will, IL	1.1044
1620	[2]Chico-Paradise, CA	
	Butte, CA	0.9840
1640	[1]Cincinnati, OH-KY-IN	
	Dearborn, IN	
	Ohio, IN	
	Boone, KY	
	Campbell, KY	
	Gallatin, KY	
	Grant, KY	
	Kenton, KY	
	Pendleton, KY	
	Brown, OH	
	Clermont, OH	
	Hamilton, OH	
	Warren, OH	0.9389
1660	Clarksville-Hopkinsville, TN-KY	
	Christian, KY	
	Montgomery, TN	0.8419

1680	[1]Cleveland-Lorain-Elyria, OH Ashtabula, OH Cuyahoga, OH Geauga, OH Lake, OH Lorain, OH Medina, OH	0.9670
1720	Colorado Springs, CO El Paso, CO	0.9916
1740	Columbia, MO Boone, MO	0.8515
1760	Columbia, SC Lexington, SC Richland, SC	0.9307
1800	Columbus, GA-AL Russell, AL Chattahoochee, GA Harris, GA Muscogee, GA	0.8374
1840	[1]Columbus, OH Delaware, OH Fairfield, OH Franklin, OH Licking, OH Madison, OH Pickaway, OH	0.9751
1880	Corpus Christi, TX Nueces, TX San Patricio, TX	0.8729
1890	Corvallis, OR Benton, OR	1.1453
1900	[2]Cumberland, MD-WV (MD Hospitals) Allegany, MD Mineral, WV	0.8946
1900	[2]Cumberland, MD-WV (WV Hospitals) Allegany, MD Mineral, WV	0.7975

1920	[1]Dallas, TX	
	Collin, TX	
	Dallas, TX	
	Denton, TX	
	Ellis, TX	
	Henderson, TX	
	Hunt, TX	
	Kaufman, TX	
	Rockwall, TX	0.9998
1950	Danville, VA	
	Danville City, VA	
	Pittsylvania, VA	0.8859
1960	Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, IA-IL	
	Scott, IA	
	Henry, IL	
	Rock Island, IL	0.8835
2000	Dayton-Springfield, OH	
	Clark, OH	
	Greene, OH	
	Miami, OH	
	Montgomery, OH	0.9282
2020	Daytona Beach, FL	
	Flagler, FL	
	Volusia, FL	0.9062
2030	Decatur, AL	
	Lawrence, AL	
	Morgan, AL	0.8973
2040	[2]Decatur, IL	
	Macon, IL	0.8204
2080	[1]Denver, CO	
	Adams, CO	
	Arapahoe, CO	
	Broomfield, CO	
	Denver, CO	
	Douglas, CO	
	Jefferson, CO	1.0601
2120	Des Moines, IA	
	Dallas, IA	
	Polk, IA	
	Warren, IA	0.8827

2160	[1]Detroit, MI Lapeer, MI Macomb, MI Monroe, MI Oakland, MI St. Clair, MI Wayne, MI	1.0448
2180	Dothan, AL Dale, AL Houston, AL	0.8158
2190	Dover, DE Kent, DE	0.9356
2200	Dubuque, IA Dubuque, IA	0.8795
2240	Duluth-Superior, MN-WI St. Louis, MN Douglas, WI	1.0368
2281	Dutchess County, NY Dutchess, NY	1.0684
2290	[2]Eau Claire, WI Chippewa, WI Eau Claire, WI	0.9162
2320	El Paso, TX El Paso, TX	0.9265
2330	Elkhart-Goshen, IN Elkhart, IN	0.9722
2335	[2]Elmira, NY Chemung, NY	0.8542
2340	Enid, OK Garfield, OK	0.8376
2360	Erie, PA Erie, PA	0.8925
2400	Eugene-Springfield, OR Lane, OR	1.0944
2440	[2]Evansville-Henderson, IN-KY (IN Hospitals) Posey, IN Vanderburgh, IN Warrick, IN Henderson, KY	0.8755

2440	Evansville-Henderson, IN-KY (KY Hospitals) Posey, IN Vanderburgh, IN Warrick, IN Henderson, KY	0.8177
2520	Fargo-Moorhead, ND-MN Clay, MN Cass, ND	0.9684
2560	Fayetteville, NC Cumberland, NC	0.8992
2580	Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers, AR Benton, AR Washington, AR	0.8100
2620	Flagstaff, AZ-UT Coconino, AZ Kane, UT	1.0682
2640	Flint, MI Genesee, MI	1.1135
2650	Florence, AL Colbert, AL Lauderdale, AL	0.7819
2655	Florence, SC Florence, SC	0.8780
2670	Fort Collins-Loveland, CO Larimer, CO	1.0066
2680	[1]Ft. Lauderdale, FL Broward, FL	1.0704
2700	Fort Myers-Cape Coral, FL Lee, FL	0.9680
2710	Fort Pierce-Port St. Lucie, FL Martin, FL St. Lucie, FL	0.9931
2720	Fort Smith, AR-OK Crawford, AR Sebastian, AR Sequoyah, OK	0.7895
2750	Fort Walton Beach, FL Okaloosa, FL	0.9693

2760	Fort Wayne, IN
	    Adams, IN
	    Allen, IN
	    De Kalb, IN
	    Huntington, IN
	    Wells, IN
	    Whitley, IN
		0.9457

2800	[1]Forth Worth-Arlington, TX
	    Hood, TX
	    Johnson, TX
	    Parker, TX
	    Tarrant, TX
		0.9446

2840	Fresno, CA
	    Fresno, CA
	    Madera, CA
		1.0216

2880	Gadsden, AL Etowah, AL	0.8599
2900	Gainesville, FL Alachua, FL	0.9871
2920	Galveston-Texas City, TX Galveston, TX	0.9465

2960	Gary, IN
	    Lake, IN
	    Porter, IN
		0.9584

2975	[2]Glens Falls, NY
	    Warren, NY
	    Washington, NY
		0.8542

2980	Goldsboro, NC Wayne, NC	0.8892

2985	Grand Forks, ND-MN
	    Polk, MN
	    Grand Forks, ND
		0.9243

2995	Grand Junction, CO Mesa, CO	0.9679

3000	[1]Grand Rapids-Muskegon-Holland, MI
	    Allegan, MI
	    Kent, MI
	    Muskegon, MI
	    Ottawa, MI
		0.9548

3040	Great Falls, MT Cascade, MT	0.8966
3060	Greeley, CO Weld, CO	0.9336

3080	Green Bay, WI	
	Brown, WI	0.9668
3120	[1]Greensboro-Winston-Salem-High Point, NC	
	Alamance, NC	
	Davidson, NC	
	Davie, NC	
	Forsyth, NC Guilford, NC	
	Randolph, NC	
	Stokes, NC	
	Yadkin, NC	0.9282
3150	Greenville, NC	
	Pitt, NC	0.9174
3160	Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson, SC	
	Anderson, SC	
	Cherokee, SC	
	Greenville, SC	
	Pickens, SC	
	Spartanburg, SC	0.9122
3180	Hagerstown, MD	
	Washington, MD	0.9268
3200	Hamilton-Middletown, OH	
	Butler, OH	0.9418
3240	Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle, PA	
	Cumberland, PA	
	Dauphin, PA	
	Lebanon, PA	
	Perry, PA	0.9223
3283	[1,2]Hartford, CT	
	Hartford, CT	
	Litchfield, CT	
	Middlesex, CT	
	Tolland, CT	1.2394
3285	[2]Hattiesburg, MS	
	Forrest, MS	
	Lamar, MS	0.7680
3290	Hickory-Morganton-Lenoir, NC	
	Alexander, NC	
	Burke, NC	
	Caldwell, NC	
	Catawba, NC	0.9028
3320	Honolulu, HI	
	Honolulu, HI	1.1457

3350	Houma, LA	
	Lafourche, LA	
	Terrebonne, LA	0.8385
3360	[1]Houston, TX	
	Chambers, TX	
	Fort Bend, TX	
	Harris, TX	
	Liberty, TX	
	Montgomery, TX	
	Waller, TX	0.9892
3400	Huntington-Ashland, WV-KY-OH	
	Boyd, KY	
	Carter, KY	
	Greenup, KY	
	Lawrence, OH	
	Cabell, WV	
	Wayne, WV	0.9636
3440	Huntsville, AL	
	Limestone, AL	
	Madison, AL	0.8903
3480	[1]Indianapolis, IN	
	Boone, IN	
	Hamilton, IN	
	Hancock, IN	
	Hendricks, IN	
	Johnson, IN	
	Madison, IN	
	Marion, IN	
	Morgan, IN	
	Shelby, IN	0.9717
3500	Iowa City, IA	
	Johnson, IA	0.9587
3520	Jackson, MI	
	Jackson, MI	0.9532
3560	Jackson, MS	
	Hinds, MS	
	Madison, MS	
	Rankin, MS	0.8607
3580	Jackson, TN	
	Madison, TN	
	Chester, TN	0.9275

3600	[1]Jacksonville, FL
	    Clay, FL
	    Duval, FL
	    Nassau, FL
	    St. Johns, FL
		0.9381

3605	[2]Jacksonville, NC Onslow, NC	0.8666
3610	[2]Jamestown, NY Chautauqua, NY	0.8542
3620	Janesville-Beloit, WI Rock, WI	0.9849
3640	Jersey City, NJ Hudson, NJ	1.1190

3660	Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA (TN Hospitals)
	    Carter, TN
	    Hawkins, TN
	    Sullivan, TN
	    Unicoi, TN
	    Washington, TN
	    Bristol City, VA
	    Scott, VA
	    Washington, VA
		0.8337

3660	[2]Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA (VA Hospitals)
	    Carter, TN
	    Hawkins, TN
	    Sullivan, TN
	    Unicoi, TN
	    Washington, TN
	    Bristol City, VA
	    Scott, VA
	    Washington, VA
		0.8504

3680	[2]Johnstown, PA
	    Cambria, PA
	    Somerset, PA
		0.8462

3700	Jonesboro, AR Craighead, AR	0.7843

3710	Joplin, MO
	    Jasper, MO
	    Newton, MO
		0.8613

3720	Kalamazoo-Battlecreek, MI	
	Calhoun, MI	
	Kalamazoo, MI	
	Van Buren, MI	1.0595
3740	[2]Kankakee, IL	
	Kankakee, IL	0.8204
3760	[1]Kansas City, KS-MO	
	Johnson, KS	
	Leavenworth, KS	
	Miami, KS	
	Wyandotte, KS	
	Cass, MO	
	Clay, MO	
	Clinton, MO	
	Jackson, MO	
	Lafayette, MO	
	Platte, MO	
	Ray, MO	0.9736
3800	Kenosha, WI	
	Kenosha, WI	0.9686
3810	Killeen-Temple, TX	
	Bell, TX	
	Coryell, TX	0.9570
3840	Knoxville, TN	
	Anderson, TN	
	Blount, TN	
	Knox, TN	
	Loudon, TN	
	Sevier, TN	
	Union, TN	0.8970
3850	Kokomo, IN	
	Howard, IN	
	Tipton, IN	0.9038
3870	La Crosse, WI-MN	
	Houston, MN	
	La Crosse, WI	0.9400
3880	Lafayette, LA	
	Acadia, LA	
	Lafayette, LA	
	St. Landry, LA	
	St. Martin, LA	0.8475
3920	Lafayette, IN	
	Clinton, IN	
	Tippecanoe, IN	0.9278

3960	Lake Charles, LA	
	Calcasieu, LA	0.7965
3980	Lakeland-Winter Haven, FL	
	Polk, FL	0.9357
4000	Lancaster, PA	
	Lancaster, PA	0.9078
4040	Lansing-East Lansing, MI	
	Clinton, MI	
	Eaton, MI	
	Ingham, MI	0.9726
4080	Laredo, TX	
	Webb, TX	0.8472
4100	[2]Las Cruces, NM	
	Dona Ana, NM	0.8872
4120	[1]Las Vegas, NV-AZ	
	Mohave, AZ	
	Clark, NV	
	Nye, NV	1.1521
4150	Lawrence, KS	
	Douglas, KS	0.7923
4200	Lawton, OK	
	Comanche, OK	0.8315
4243	Lewiston-Auburn, ME	
	Androscoggin, ME	0.9179
4280	Lexington, KY	
	Bourbon, KY	
	Clark, KY	
	Fayette, KY	
	Jessamine, KY	
	Madison, KY	
	Scott, KY	
	Woodford, KY	0.8581
4320	Lima, OH	
	Allen, OH	
	Auglaize, OH	0.9483
4360	Lincoln, NE	
	Lancaster, NE	0.9892
4400	Little Rock-North Little Rock, AR	
	Faulkner, AR	
	Lonoke, AR	
	Pulaski, AR	
	Saline, AR	0.9097

4420	Longview-Marshall, TX	
	Gregg, TX	
	Harrison, TX	
	Upshur, TX	0.8629
4480	[1]Los Angeles-Long Beach, CA	
	Los Angeles, CA	1.2011
4520	[1]Louisville, KY-IN	
	Clark, IN	
	Floyd, IN	
	Harrison, IN	
	Scott, IN	
	Bullitt, KY	
	Jefferson, KY	
	Oldham, KY	0.9276
4600	Lubbock, TX	
	Lubbock, TX	0.9646
4640	Lynchburg, VA	
	Amherst, VA	
	Bedford, VA	
	Bedford City, VA	
	Campbell, VA	
	Lynchburg City, VA	0.9219
4680	Macon, GA	
	Bibb, GA	
	Houston, GA	
	Jones, GA	
	Peach, GA	
	Twiggs, GA	0.9250
4720	Madison, WI	
	Dane, WI	1.0467
4800	Mansfield, OH	
	Crawford, OH	
	Richland, OH	0.8900
4840	Mayaguez, PR	
	Anasco, PR	
	Cabo Rojo, PR	
	Hormigueros, PR	
	Mayaguez, PR	
	Sabana Grande, PR	
	San German, PR	0.4914
4880	McAllen-Edinburg-Mission, TX	
	Hidalgo, TX	0.8428
4890	Medford-Ashland, OR	
	Jackson, OR	1.0498

4900	Melbourne-Titusville-Palm Bay, FL	
	Brevard, Fl	1.0253
4920	[1]Memphis, TN-AR-MS	
	Crittenden, AR	
	DeSoto, MS	
	Fayette, TN	
	Shelby, TN	
	Tipton, TN	0.8920
4940	[2]Merced, CA	
	Merced, CA	0.9840
5000	[1]Miami, FL	
	Dade, FL	0.9815
5015	[1]Middlesex-Somerset-Hunterdon, NJ	
	Hunterdon, NJ	
	Middlesex, NJ	
	Somerset, NJ	1.1213
5080	[1]Milwaukee-Waukesha, WI	
	Milwaukee, WI	
	Ozaukee, WI	
	Washington, WI	
	Waukesha, WI	0.9893
5120	[1]Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI	
	Anoka, MN	
	Carver, MN	
	Chisago, MN	
	Dakota, MN	
	Hennepin, MN	
	Isanti, MN	
	Ramsey, MN	
	Scott, MN	
	Sherburne, MN	
	Washington, MN	
	Wright, MN	
	Pierce, WI	
	St. Croix, WI	1.0903
5140	Missoula, MT	
	Missoula, MT	0.9157
5160	Mobile, AL	
	Baldwin, AL	
	Mobile, AL	0.8110
5170	Modesto, CA	
	Stanislaus, CA	1.0498

5190	[1]Monmouth-Ocean, NJ	
	Monmouth, NJ	
	Ocean, NJ	1.0814
5200	Monroe, LA	
	Ouachita, LA	0.8137
5240	Montgomery, AL	
	Autauga, AL	
	Elmore, AL	
	Montgomery, AL	0.7734
5280	Muncie, IN	
	Delaware, IN	0.9284
5330	Myrtle Beach, SC	
	Horry, SC	0.8976
5345	Naples, FL	
	Collier, FL	0.9754
5360	[1]Nashville, TN	
	Cheatham, TN	
	Davidson, TN	
	Dickson, TN	
	Robertson, TN	
	Rutherford TN	
	Sumner, TN	
	Williamson, TN	
	Wilson, TN	0.9578
5380	[1]Nassau-Suffolk, NY	
	Nassau, NY	
	Suffolk, NY	1.3357
5483	[1]New Haven-Bridgeport-Stamford-Waterbury-	
	Danbury, CT	
	Fairfield, CT	
	New Haven, CT	1.2459
5523	[2]New London-Norwich, CT	
	New London, CT	1.2394
5560	[1]New Orleans, LA	
	Jefferson, LA	
	Orleans, LA	
	Plaquemines, LA	
	St. Bernard, LA	
	St. Charles, LA	
	St. James, LA	
	St. John The Baptist, LA	
	St. Tammany, LA	0.9046

5600	[1]New York, NY Bronx, NY Kings, NY New York, NY Putnam, NY Queens, NY Richmond, NY Rockland, NY Westchester, NY	1.4414
5640	[1]Newark, NJ Essex, NJ Morris, NJ Sussex, NJ Union, NJ Warren, NJ	1.1406
5660	Newburgh, NY-PA Orange, NY Pike, PA	1.1387
5720	[1]Norfolk-Virginia Beach-Newport News, VA-NC Currituck, NC Chesapeake City, VA Gloucester, VA Hampton City, VA Isle of Wight, VA James City, VA Mathews, VA Newport News City, VA Norfolk City, VA Poquoson City, VA Portsmouth City, VA Suffolk City, VA Virginia Beach City VA Williamsburg City, VA York, VA	0.8574
5775	[1]Oakland, CA Alameda, CA Contra Costa, CA	1.5185
5790	Ocala, FL Marion, FL	0.9402
5800	Odessa-Midland, TX Ector, TX Midland, TX	0.9397

5880	[1]Oklahoma City, OK
	    Canadian, OK
	    Cleveland, OK
	    Logan, OK
	    McClain, OK
	    Oklahoma, OK
	    Pottawatomie, OK
		0.8900

5910	Olympia, WA Thurston, WA	1.0960

5920	Omaha, NE-IA
	    Pottawattamie, IA
	    Cass, NE
	    Douglas, NE
	    Sarpy, NE
	    Washington, NE
		0.9978

5945	[1]Orange County, CA Orange, CA	1.1594

5960	[1]Orlando, FL
	    Lake, FL
	    Orange, FL
	    Osceola, FL
	    Seminole, FL
		0.9640

5990	Owensboro, KY Daviess, KY	0.8344
6015	Panama City, FL Bay, FL	0.8865

6020	Parkersburg-Marietta, WV-OH (WV Hospitals)
	    Washington, OH
	    Wood, WV
		0.8127

6020	[2]Parkersburg-Marietta, WV-OH (OH Hospitals)
	    Washington, OH
	    Wood, WV
		0.8613

6080	[2]Pensacola, FL
	    Escambia, FL
	    Santa Rosa, FL
		0.8814

6120	Peoria-Pekin, IL
	    Peoria, IL
	    Tazewell, IL
	    Woodford, IL
		0.8739

6160	[1]Philadelphia, PA-NJ
	   Burlington, NJ
	   Camden, NJ
	   Gloucester, NJ
	   Salem, NJ
	   Bucks, PA
	   Chester, PA
	   Delaware, PA
	   Montgomery, PA
	   Philadelphia, PA
		1.0713

6200	[1]Phoenix-Mesa, AZ
	   Maricopa, AZ
	   Pinal, AZ
		0.9820

6240	Pine Bluff, AR Jefferson, AR	0.7962

6280	[1]Pittsburgh, PA
	   Allegheny, PA
	   Beaver, PA
	   Butler, PA
	   Fayette, PA
	   Washington, PA
	   Westmoreland, PA
		0.9365

6323	[2]Pittsfield, MA Berkshire, MA	1.1288
6340	Pocatello, ID Bannock, ID	0.9674

6360	Ponce, PR
	   Guayanilla, PR
	   Juana Diaz, PR
	   Penuelas, PR
	   Ponce, PR
	   Villalba, PR
	   Yauco, PR
		0.5169

6403	Portland, ME
	   Cumberland, ME
	   Sagadahoc, ME
	   York, ME
		0.9794

6440	[1]Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA
	   Clackamas, OR
	   Columbia, OR
	   Multnomah, OR
	   Washington, OR
	   Yamhill, OR
	   Clark, WA
		1.0684

6483	[1]Providence-Warwick-Pawtucket, RI	
	Bristol, RI	
	Kent, RI	
	Newport, RI	
	Providence, RI	
	Washington, RI	1.0854
6520	Provo-Orem, UT	
	Utah, UT	0.9984
6560	[2]Pueblo, CO	
	Pueblo, CO	0.9015
6580	Punta Gorda, FL	
	Charlotte, FL	0.9218
6600	Racine, WI	
	Racine, WI	0.9334
6640	[1]Raleigh-Durham-Chapel Hill, NC	
	Chatham, NC	
	Durham, NC	
	Franklin, NC	
	Johnston, NC	
	Orange, NC	
	Wake, NC	0.9990
6660	Rapid City, SD	
	Pennington, SD	0.8846
6680	Reading, PA	
	Berks, PA	0.9295
6690	Redding, CA	
	Shasta, CA	1.1135
6720	Reno, NV	
	Washoe, NV	1.0648
6740	Richland-Kennewick-Pasco, WA	
	Benton, WA	
	Franklin, WA	1.1491

6760	Richmond-Petersburg, VA	
	Charles City County, VA	
	Chesterfield, VA	
	Colonial Heights City, VA	
	Dinwiddie, VA	
	Goochland, VA	
	Hanover, VA	
	Henrico, VA	
	Hopewell City, VA	
	New Kent, VA	
	Petersburg City, VA	
	Powhatan, VA	
	Prince George, VA	
	Richmond City, VA	0.9477
6780	[1]Riverside-San Bernardino, CA	
	Riverside, CA	
	San Bernardino, CA	1.1365
6800	Roanoke, VA	
	Botetourt, VA	
	Roanoke, VA	
	Roanoke City, VA	
	Salem City, VA	0.8614
6820	Rochester, MN	
	Olmsted, MN	1.2139
6840	[1]Rochester, NY	
	Genesee, NY	
	Livingston, NY	
	Monroe, NY	
	Ontario, NY	
	Orleans, NY	
	Wayne, NY	0.9194
6880	Rockford, IL	
	Boone, IL	
	Ogle, IL	
	Winnebago, IL	0.9625
6895	Rocky Mount, NC	
	Edgecombe, NC	
	Nash, NC	0.9228
6920	[1]Sacramento, CA	
	El Dorado, CA	
	Placer, CA	
	Sacramento, CA	1.1513

6960	Saginaw-Bay City-Midland, MI	
	Bay, MI	
	Midland, MI	
	Saginaw, MI	0.9650
6980	St. Cloud, MN	
	Benton, MN	
	Stearns, MN	0.9785
7000	[2]St. Joseph, MO	
	Andrew, MO	
	Buchanan, MO	0.8026
7040	[1]St. Louis, MO-IL	
	Clinton, IL	
	Jersey, IL	
	Madison, IL	
	Monroe, IL	
	St. Clair, IL	
	Franklin, MO	
	Jefferson, MO	
	Lincoln, MO	
	St. Charles, MO	
	St. Louis, MO	
	St. Louis City, MO	
	Warren, MO	0.8855
7080	Salem, OR	
	Marion, OR	
	Polk, OR	1.0367
7120	Salinas, CA	
	Monterey, CA	1.4623
7160	[1]Salt Lake City-Ogden, UT	
	Davis, UT	
	Salt Lake, UT	
	Weber, UT	0.9945
7200	San Angelo, TX	
	Tom Green, TX	0.8374
7240	[1]San Antonio, TX	
	Bexar, TX	
	Comal, TX	
	Guadalupe, TX	
	Wilson, TX	0.8753
7320	[1]San Diego, CA	
	San Diego, CA	1.1135

7360	[1]San Francisco, CA Marin, CA San Francisco, CA San Mateo, CA	1.4142
7400	[1]San Jose, CA Santa Clara, CA	1.4145
7440	[1]San Juan-Bayamon, PR Aguas Buenas, PR Barceloneta, PR Bayamon, PR Canovanas, PR Carolina, PR Catano, PR Ceiba, PR Comerio, PR Corozal, PR Dorado, PR Fajardo, PR Florida, PR Guaynabo, PR Humacao, PR Juncos, PR Los Piedras, PR Loiza, PR Luguillo, PR Manati, PR Morovis, PR Naguabo, PR Naranjito, PR Rio Grande, PR San Juan, PR Toa Alta, PR Toa Baja, PR Trujillo Alto, PR Vega Alta, PR Vega Baja, PR Yabucoa, PR	0.4741
7460	San Luis Obispo-Atascadero-Paso Robles, CA San Luis Obispo, CA	1.1271
7480	Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Lompoc, CA Santa Barbara, CA	1.0481
7485	Santa Cruz-Watsonville, CA Santa Cruz, CA	1.3646

7490	Santa Fe, NM
	    Los Alamos, NM
	    Santa Fe, NM
		1.0712

7500	Santa Rosa, CA Sonoma, CA	1.3046

7510	Sarasota-Bradenton, FL
	    Manatee, FL
	    Sarasota, FL
		0.9449

7520	Savannah, GA
	    Bryan, GA
	    Chatham, GA
	    Effingham, GA
		0.9376

7560	Scranton--Wilkes-Barre--Hazleton, PA
	    Columbia, PA
	    Lackawanna, PA
	    Luzerne, PA
	    Wyoming, PA
		0.8599

7600	[1]Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, WA
	    Island, WA
	    King, WA
	    Snohomish, WA
		1.1474

7610	[2]Sharon, PA Mercer, PA	0.8462
7620	[2]Sheboygan, WI Sheboygan, WI	0.9162
7640	Sherman-Denison, TX Grayson, TX	0.9255

7680	Shreveport-Bossier City, LA
	    Bossier, LA
	    Caddo, LA
	    Webster, LA
		0.8987

7720	Sioux City, IA-NE
	    Woodbury, IA
	    Dakota, NE
		0.9046

7760	Sioux Falls, SD
	    Lincoln, SD
	    Minnehaha, SD
		0.9257

7800	South Bend, IN St. Joseph, IN	0.9802
7840	Spokane, WA Spokane, WA	1.0852

7880	Springfield, IL 　　　Menard, IL 　　　Sangamon, IL	0.8659
7920	Springfield, MO 　　　Christian, MO 　　　Greene, MO 　　　Webster, MO	0.8424
8003	[2]Springfield, MA 　　　Hampden, MA 　　　Hampshire, MA	1.1288
8050	State College, PA 　　　Centre, PA	0.8941
8080	Steubenville-Weirton, OH-WV 　　　Jefferson, OH 　　　Brooke, WV 　　　Hancock, WV	0.8804
8120	Stockton-Lodi, CA 　　　San Joaquin, CA	1.0650
8140	[2]Sumter, SC 　　　Sumter, SC	0.8607
8160	Syracuse, NY 　　　Cayuga, NY 　　　Madison, NY 　　　Onondaga, NY 　　　Oswego, NY	0.9714
8200	Tacoma, WA 　　　Pierce, WA	1.0940
8240	[2]Tallahassee, FL 　　　Gadsden, FL 　　　Leon, FL	0.8814
8280	[1]Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL 　　　Hernando, FL 　　　Hillsborough, FL 　　　Pasco, FL 　　　Pinellas, FL	0.9171
8320	[2]Terre Haute, IN 　　　Clay, IN 　　　Vermillion, IN 　　　Vigo, IN	0.8755
8360	Texarkana,AR-Texarkana, TX 　　　Miller, AR 　　　Bowie, TX	0.8126

8400	Toledo, OH	
	Fulton, OH	
	Lucas, OH	
	Wood, OH	0.9810
8440	Topeka, KS	
	Shawnee, KS	0.9199
8480	Trenton, NJ	
	Mercer, NJ	1.0432
8520	Tucson, AZ	
	Pima, AZ	0.8911
8560	Tulsa, OK	
	Creek, OK	
	Osage, OK	
	Rogers, OK	
	Tulsa, OK	
	Wagoner, OK	0.8332
8600	Tuscaloosa, AL	
	Tuscaloosa, AL	0.8203
8640	Tyler, TX	
	Smith, TX	0.9521
8680	[2]Utica-Rome, NY	
	Herkimer, NY	
	Oneida, NY	0.8542
8720	Vallejo-Fairfield-Napa, CA	
	Napa, CA	
	Solano, CA	1.3421
8735	Ventura, CA	
	Ventura, CA	1.1096
8750	Victoria, TX	
	Victoria, TX	0.8756
8760	Vineland-Millville-Bridgeton, NJ	
	Cumberland, NJ	1.0031
8780	[2]Visalia-Tulare-Porterville, CA	
	Tulare, CA	0.9840
8800	Waco, TX	
	McLennan, TX	0.8088

8840	[1]Washington, DC-MD-VA-WV	
	District of Columbia, DC	
	Calvert, MD	
	Charles, MD	
	Frederick, MD	
	Montgomery, MD	
	Prince Georges, MD	
	Alexandria City, VA	
	Arlington, VA	
	Clarke, VA	
	Culpeper, VA	
	Fairfax, VA	
	Fairfax City, VA	
	Falls Church City, VA	
	Fauquier, VA	
	Fredericksburg City, VA	
	King George, VA	
	Loudoun, VA	
	Manassas City, VA	
	Manassas Park City, VA	
	Prince William, VA	
	Spotsylvania, VA	
	Stafford, VA	
	Warren, VA	
	Berkeley, WV	
	Jefferson, WV	1.0851
8920	Waterloo-Cedar Falls, IA	
	Black Hawk, IA	0.8902
8940	Wausau, WI	
	Marathon, WI	0.9782
8960	[1]West Palm Beach-Boca Raton, FL	
	Palm Beach, FL	0.9939
9000	[2]Wheeling, WV-OH (WV Hospitals)	
	Belmont, OH	
	Marshall, WV	
	Ohio, WV	0.7975
9000	[2]Wheeling, WV-OH (OH Hospitals)	
	Belmont, OH	
	Marshall, WV	
	Ohio, WV	0.8613
9040	Wichita, KS	
	Butler, KS	
	Harvey, KS	
	Sedgwick, KS	0.9520

9080	Wichita Falls, TX	
	Archer, TX	
	Wichita, TX	0.8498
9140	Williamsport, PA	
	Lycoming, PA	0.8544
9160	Wilmington-Newark, DE-MD	
	New Castle, DE	
	Cecil, MD	1.1173
9200	Wilmington, NC	
	New Hanover, NC	
	Brunswick, NC	0.9640
9260	Yakima, WA	
	Yakima, WA	1.0569
9270	[2]Yolo, CA	
	Yolo, CA	0.9840
9280	York, PA	
	York, PA	0.9026
9320	Youngstown-Warren, OH	
	Columbiana, OH	
	Mahoning, OH	
	Trumbull, OH	0.9358
9340	Yuba City, CA	
	Sutter, CA	
	Yuba, CA	1.0276
9360	Yuma, AZ	
	Yuma, AZ	0.8589

[1] Large Urban Area
[2] Hospitals geographically located in the area are assigned the statewide rural wage index for FY 2003.

Attachment 2

WAGE INDEX FOR RURAL AREAS

Nonurban Area	Wage Index
Alabama	0.7727
Alaska	1.2293
Arizona	0.8493
Arkansas	0.7666
California	0.9840
Colorado	0.9015
Connecticut	1.2394
Delaware	0.9128
Florida	0.8814
Georgia	0.8230
Hawaii	1.0255
Idaho	0.8747
Illinois	0.8204
Indiana	0.8755
Iowa	0.8315
Kansas	0.7923
Kentucky	0.8079
Louisiana	0.7647
Maine	0.8874
Maryland	0.8946
Massachusetts	1.1288
Michigan	0.9013
Minnesota	0.9151
Mississippi	0.7680
Missouri	0.8026

Montana	0.8481
Nebraska	0.8204
Nevada	0.9577
New Hampshire	0.9796
New Jersey[1]	------
New Mexico	0.8872
New York	0.8542
North Carolina	0.8666
North Dakota	0.7788
Ohio	0.8613
Oklahoma	0.7590
Oregon	1.0303
Pennsylvania	0.8462
Puerto Rico	0.4356
Rhode Island[1]	------
South Carolina	0.8607
South Dakota	0.7815
Tennessee	0.7877
Texas	0.7827
Utah	0.9312
Vermont	0.9345
Virginia	0.8504
Washington	1.0179
West Virginia	0.7975
Wisconsin	0.9162
Wyoming	0.9007

[1]All counties within the State are classified as urban.

Attachment 3

Fiscal Year 2003 Wage Index Values to Calculate Payments for Facilities Located in Counties That Are Deemed Urban Section 1886(d)(8)(B) of the Social Security Act Effective for Services Furnished On or After October 1, 2002

County	Wage Index Value
Barry MI	1.0400
Cass MI	0.9106
Caswell, NC	0.8859
Christian, IL	0.8659
Harnett, NC	0.8992
Henry, IN	0.9717
Indian River, FL	0.9931
Ionia, MI	0.9726
Jefferson, KS	0.9031
Jefferson, WI	0.9893
Lawrence, PA	0.9224
Lincoln, WV	0.8649
Macoupin, IL	0.8855
Marshall, AL	0.8771
Mason, IL	0.8739
Morrow, OH	0.8900
Owen, IN	0.8907
Preble, OH	0.9282
Shiawassee, MI	1.0963
Tuscola, MI	0.9543
Van Wert, OH	0.9483
Walworth, WI	0.9893