



Department of Medicaid

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TO: Eligible ASC Providers
Chief Executive Officers, Managed Care Plans (MCPs)
Directors, County Departments of Job and Family Services

FROM: John B. McCarthy, Director

SUBJECT: Ambulatory Surgery Center Updates

Summary

This Medicaid Handbook Transmittal Letter (MHTL) provides information pertaining to the ambulatory surgery center (ASC) services. Rules 5160-22-01, 5160-22-02 and 5160-22-03 have been rescinded and replaced with a new rule 5160-22-01.

Rule Changes

Rule 5160-22-01, entitled **Ambulatory surgery center (ASC) services: provider eligibility, coverage, and reimbursement**, is a new rule in effect that incorporates the provisions of OAC 5160-22-01, which has been rescinded, that sets forth the definition of an ambulatory surgery center (ASC) and how an ASC can become an eligible Medicaid provider. This new rule also incorporates the covered and non-covered ASC services as outlined in Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 5160-22-02, which has been rescinded, and the payment policies for facility services, laboratory services, radiological services and diagnostic and therapeutic procedures as outlined in OAC 5160-22-03, which has been rescinded. There are no policy changes to this rule.

Rule 5160-22-01, entitled **Ambulatory surgery center eligible providers**, has been rescinded. The policies that set forth the definition of an ambulatory surgery center (ASC) and how an ASC can become an eligible Medicaid provider have been incorporated into a new OAC rule 5160-22-01.

Rule 5160-22-02, entitled **Coverage and reimbursement of ambulatory surgery center (ASC) services**, has been rescinded. The policies for covered and non-covered ASC surgical procedures and covered ASC facility services have been incorporated into a new OAC rule 5160-22-01.

Rule 5160-22-03, entitled **Reimbursement of facility services in an ambulatory surgery center (ASC)**, has been rescinded. The payment policies for facility services, laboratory services, radiological services and diagnostic and therapeutic procedures in an ASC have been incorporated into a new OAC rule 5160-22-01.

Access to Rules and Related Material

Stakeholders who want to receive notification when ODM original or final files a rule package may visit JCARR's RuleWatch at www.rulewatchohio.gov where an account can be created to be notified of rule actions by rule number or department.

Stakeholders can subscribe to receive notification when a clearance or BIA is posted for public comment on the Ohio Business Gateway here:
<http://business.ohio.gov/reform/enotify/subscription.aspx>

The main web page of the ODM includes links to valuable information about its services and programs; the address is <http://medicaid.ohio.gov/>.

Information about hospital payment policies is available on the 'Fee Schedule and Rates' web page, which may be accessed through the main ODM web page (Providers > Fee Schedule and Rates).

Additional Information

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