



Hospital Handbook Transmittal Letter (HHTL) 3352-16-06

TO: All Hospital Providers
Directors, County Departments of Job and Family Services

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SUBJECT: Inpatient Hospital Reimbursement Rule

Summary

This Hospital Handbook Transmittal Letter (HHTL) provides information pertaining to inpatient hospital reimbursement.

Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rules 5160-2-65, "Inpatient hospital reimbursement" was amended to postpone the stop loss/stop gain risk corridor and to include a provision to recognize hospitals which are located in rural counties as of October 1, 2015 as rural hospitals for rate setting and payment purposes. The effective date of these changes is July 1, 2016.

Rule Changes

Rule 5160-2-65, "Inpatient hospital reimbursement", describes the inpatient hospital reimbursement methodology for hospitals subject to prospective payment.

Changes:

- The stop loss/stop gain risk corridor was postponed from June 30, 2016 to December 31, 2016.
- A provision was added to paragraph (B) which states if a hospital is in a rural county as designated in the Medicare 2016 IPPS, effective October 1, 2015 and not otherwise re-classed or re-designated as an urban hospital, then the hospital will be treated as a rural hospital for rate setting and payment purposes.

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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