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	Change Request 13335

SUBJECT: Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Prospective Payment System (IPF PPS) Updates for Fiscal Year (FY) 2024

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: The purpose of this Change Request (CR) is to identify changes that are required as part of the annual IPF PPS update established in IPF Final Rule entitled “**Medicare Program; FY 2024 Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Prospective Payment System – Rate Update.**” These changes are applicable to discharges occurring from October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 (FY 2024). This Recurring CR applies to the Claims Processing Manual (CLM), chapter 3, section 190.4.3.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2023

**Unless otherwise specified, the effective date is the date of service.*

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: October 2, 2023

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II. CHANGES IN MANUAL INSTRUCTIONS: (N/A if manual is not updated)

R=REVISED, N=NEW, D=DELETED-*Only One Per Row.*

R/N/D	CHAPTER / SECTION / SUBSECTION / TITLE
R	3/190/4.3/Annual Update

III. FUNDING:

For Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs):

The Medicare Administrative Contractor is hereby advised that this constitutes technical direction as defined in your contract. CMS does not construe this as a change to the MAC Statement of Work. The contractor is not obligated to incur costs in excess of the amounts allotted in your contract unless and until specifically authorized by the Contracting Officer. If the contractor considers anything provided, as described above, to be outside the current scope of work, the contractor shall withhold performance on the part(s) in question and immediately notify the Contracting Officer, in writing or by e-mail, and request formal directions regarding continued performance requirements.

IV. ATTACHMENTS:

Recurring Update Notification

Attachment - Recurring Update Notification

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background: On November 15, 2004, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) published in the *Federal Register* a final rule that established the Prospective Payment System (PPS) for Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities (IPF) under the Medicare program in accordance with provisions of Section 124 of Public Law 106-113, the Medicare, Medicaid and SCHIP Balanced Budget Refinement Act of 1999 (BBRA). Payments to IPFs under the IPF PPS are based on a federal per diem base rate which includes both inpatient operating and capital-related costs (including routine and ancillary services), but excludes certain pass-through costs (i.e., bad debts, and graduate medical education). CMS is required to make updates to this IPF PPS annually.

This Change Request (CR) identifies changes that are required as part of the annual IPF PPS update established in IPF Final Rule entitled “**Medicare Program; FY 2024 Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Prospective Payment System – Rate Update.**” These changes are applicable to discharges occurring from October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 (FY 2024).

B. Policy: Fiscal Year 2024 Update to the IPF PPS

1. Market Basket Update:

Since the IPF PPS inception, the Office of the Actuary periodically revises and rebases the IPF market basket to reflect more recent data on IPF cost structures. In the FY 2024 IPF PPS final rule, CMS rebased and revised the market basket applicable to IPFs and adopted a 2021-based IPF-specific market basket. For FY 2024, CMS is using the 2021-based IPF market basket to update the IPF PPS payments (that is, the Federal per diem base rate and Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT) payment per treatment). The 2021-based IPF market basket update for FY 2024 is 3.5 percent. However, this 3.5 percent is subject to one reduction required by the Social Security Act (the Act), as described below.

Section 1886(s)(2)(A)(i) of the Act requires the application of the “productivity adjustment” described in section 1886(b)(3)(B)(xi)(II) of the Act to the IPF PPS for the Rate Year (RY) beginning in 2012 (that is, an RY that coincides with an FY), and each subsequent RY. For the FY beginning in 2023 (that is, FY 2024), the reduction is 0.2 percentage point. CMS implemented that provision in the FY 2024 IPF PPS Final Rule.

Therefore, CMS updated the IPF PPS base rate for FY 2024 by applying the adjusted market basket update of 3.3 percent (which includes the 2021-based IPF market basket update of 3.5 percent and a productivity adjustment reduction of 0.2 percentage point) and the wage index budget neutrality factor of 1.0016 to the FY 2023 Federal per diem base rate of \$865.63, yielding an FY 2024 Federal per diem base rate of \$895.63.

Similarly, applying the adjusted market basket update of 3.3 percent and the wage index budget neutrality factor of 1.0016 to the FY 2023 ECT payment per treatment of \$372.67 yields an ECT payment per treatment of \$385.58 for FY 2024.

2. FY 2024 Wage Index Update

CMS continued its policy from the prior fiscal year of updating the IPF PPS wage index for FY 2024 with the concurrent wage data from the FY 2024 inpatient prospective payment system wage index before reclassifications and other adjustments are considered.

The FY 2024 final IPF PPS wage index is available online at: <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/InpatientPsychFacilPPS/WageIndex.html>.

3. Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Quality Reporting Program (IPFQR)

Section 1886(s)(4) of the Act requires the establishment of a quality data reporting program for the IPF PPS beginning in FY 2014. CMS finalized new requirements for quality reporting for IPFs in the “Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment System for Acute Care Hospitals and the Long Term Care Hospital Prospective Payment System and Fiscal Year 2013 Rates” Final Rule (August 31, 2012) (77 FR 53258, 53644 through 53360). Section 1886(s)(4)(A)(i) of the Act requires that, for FY 2014 and each subsequent fiscal year, the Secretary shall reduce any annual update to a standard Federal rate for discharges occurring during the FY by two percentage points for any IPF that does not comply with the quality data submission requirements with respect to an applicable year. Therefore, a two percentage point reduction is applied when calculating the Federal per diem base rate and the ECT payment per treatment as follows:

- The adjusted market basket update of 3.3 percent (which includes the 2021-based IPF market basket update of 3.5 percent and a required productivity adjustment reduction of 0.2 percentage point) is reduced by 2.0 percentage points, for an update of 1.3 percent for IPFs that failed to meet quality reporting requirements.
- For IPFs that failed to submit quality reporting data under the IPFQR program for FY 2024, the 1.3 percent update and the wage index budget neutrality factor of 1.0016 are applied to the FY 2023 Federal per diem base rate of \$865.63, yielding a Federal per diem base rate of \$878.29.
- Similarly, for IPFs that failed to submit quality reporting data under the IPFQR program for FY 2024, the 1.3 percent update and the wage index budget neutrality factor of 1.0016 are applied to the FY 2023 ECT payment per treatment of \$372.67, yielding a per treatment ECT payment of \$378.12 for FY 2024.

4. PRICER Updates: IPF PPS Fiscal Year 2024 (October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024):

- The Federal per diem base rate is \$895.63 for IPFs that complied with quality data submission requirements.
- The Federal per diem base rate is \$878.29, when applying the two percentage point reduction, for IPFs that failed to comply with quality data submission requirements.
- The fixed dollar loss threshold amount is \$33,470.
- The IPF PPS wage index is based on the FY 2024 pre-floor, pre-reclassified acute care hospital wage index.
- The labor-related share is 78.7 percent.
- The non-labor related share is 21.3 percent.
- The ECT payment per treatment is \$385.58 for IPFs that complied with quality data submission requirements.
- The ECT payment per treatment is \$378.12 when applying the two percentage point reduction, for IPFs that failed to comply with quality data submission requirements.

5. Provider Specific File (PSF) Updates

Effective beginning Fiscal Year (FY) 2023, a permanent five percent cap was adopted and applied to all IPF providers on any decrease to a provider’s final wage index from that provider’s final wage index of the prior

fiscal year. Under the five percent cap policy, a new IPF that opens during FY 2024 would be paid the wage index for the area in which it is geographically located for its first full or partial FY with no cap applied, because a new IPF would not have a wage index in the prior FY. To implement this policy for FY 2024, the following fields will be updated in the Provider Specific File:

- **Supplemental Wage Index** - used for the prior fiscal year wage index value
- **Supplemental Wage Index Indicator** - used to indicate the value in the “Supplemental Wage Index” field is the prior fiscal year wage index.

Medicare Administrative Contractors must update the “Supplemental Wage Index” and “Supplemental Wage Index Indicator” for all providers that were active in FY 2023.

Medicare Administrative Contractors must follow the steps below to ensure the appropriate values are applied in the Supplemental Wage Index and Supplemental Wage Indicator fields:

1. If the provider was not active for FY 2023, then skip all of the below steps and leave the “Supplemental Wage Index” and “Supplemental Wage Index Indicator” fields blank. If the provider was active for FY 2023, then follow the steps below.
2. Update the value of “Supplemental Wage Index Indicator” to be “1”.
3. Validate the accuracy of the provider’s FIPS state and county codes.
4. Validate the accuracy of the provider’s FY 2023 CBSA based on the provider’s FIPS state and county codes and the CBSA delineations defined in OMB Bulletin No. 18–04.
5. Identify the FY 2023 IPF wage index calculated by the pricer software and used to pay claims for each provider in FY 2023, and add this wage index value to “Supplemental Wage Index” field.

6. The National Urban and Rural Cost to Charge Ratios for the IPF PPS Fiscal Year 2024

- **See Attachment One:** “National Cost to Charge Ratios (CCRs)”

7. ICD-10 CM/PCS Updates

For FY 2024, the IPF PPS adjustment factors are unchanged from those used in FY 2023. However, CMS updated the ICD-10-CM/PCS code set, effective October 1, 2023. These updates affect the ICD-10-CM/PCS codes that underlie the IPF PPS MS-DRGs and the IPF PPS comorbidity categories. The updated FY 2024 MS-DRG code lists are available on the IPPS website at <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/medicare-fee-for-service-payment/acuteinpatientpps>, and the updated FY 2024 IPF PPS comorbidity categories are available at <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/InpatientPsychFacilPPS/tools>

There were no changes for FY 2024 to the IPF Electroconvulsive Therapy procedure code list.

8. COLA Adjustment

The IPF PPS Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) factors for FY 2024 are the same as those used in FY 2023.

- **See Attachment One:** “Cost of Living Adjustments (COLAs).”

9. Rural Adjustment

For FY 2024, IPFs designated as “rural” continue to receive a 17 percent rural adjustment.

II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE

"Shall" denotes a mandatory requirement, and "should" denotes an optional requirement.

Number	Requirement	Responsibility									
		A/B MAC			D M E M A C	Shared- System Maintainers				Other	
		A	B	H H H		F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F		
13335.1	Medicare contractors shall perform the updates as outlined in the policy section, item 5 “Provider Specific File (PSF) Updates” of this notification.	X									
13335.1.1	Medicare contractors shall update ALL relevant portions of the PSF in accordance with this CR by October 1, 2023.	X									
13335.2	As specified in publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, chapter 3, section 20.2.3.1, Medicare contractors shall maintain the accuracy of the data and update the PSF file as changes occur in data element values.	X									
13335.3	CMS shall ensure that the IPF PPS Pricer includes all FY 2024 IPF PPS updates.										CMS
13335.4	Contractors shall access the IPF PPS Pricer via the Cloud to pay FY 2024 payment rates on claims with discharge dates on or after October 1, 2023.	X				X					

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

Number	Requirement	Responsibility						
		A/B MAC			D M E M A C	C E D I		
		A	B	H H H				
13335.5	Medicare Learning Network® (MLN): CMS will market provider education content through the MLN Connects® newsletter shortly after CMS releases the CR. MACs shall follow IOM Pub. No. 100-09 Chapter 6, Section 50.2.4.1 instructions for distributing the MLN Connects newsletter information to providers and link to relevant information on your website. You may supplement MLN content with your local information after we release the MLN Connects newsletter. Subscribe to the “MLN Connects” listserv to get MLN content notifications. You don’t need to separately track and report MLN	X						

Number	Requirement	Responsibility				
		A/B MAC			D M E M A C	C E D I
		A	B	H H H		
	content releases when you distribute MLN Connects newsletter content per the manual section referenced above.					

IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Section A: Recommendations and supporting information associated with listed requirements:

"Should" denotes a recommendation.

X-Ref Requirement Number	Recommendations or other supporting information:
	N/A

Section B: All other recommendations and supporting information: N/A

V. CONTACTS

Post-Implementation Contact(s): Contact your Contracting Officer's Representative (COR).

VI. FUNDING

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190.4.3 - Annual Update

(Rev. 12222; Issued: 08-24-23; Effective: 10-01-23; Implementation: 10-02-23)

Prior to rate year (RY) 2012, the Inpatient Psychiatric Facility Prospective Payment System (IPF PPS) was on a July 1st - June 30th annual update cycle. The first update to the IPF PPS occurred on July 1, 2006 and every July 1st thereafter.

Effective with RY 2012, the IPF PPS payment rate update period switched from a rate year that began on July 1st ending on June 30th to a period that coincides with a fiscal year (FY). To transition from a RY to a FY, the IPF PPS RY 2012 covered the 15 month period from July 1st -September 30th. This change to the payment update period will allow one consolidated annual update to both the rates and the ICD-10-CM/PCS coding changes (MS-DRG, comorbidities, and code first). Coding and rate changes will continue to be effective October 1st-September 30th of each year thereafter.

In accordance with [42 CFR 412.428](#), the annual update includes revisions to the Federal per diem base rate, the hospital wage index, ICD-10-CM coding and Diagnosis-Related Groups (DRGs) classification changes discussed in the annual update to the hospital IPPS regulations, the electroconvulsive therapy (ECT) payment per treatment, the fixed dollar loss threshold amount and the national urban and rural cost-to-charge medians and ceilings.

Below are the Change Requests (CRs) for the applicable Rate Years (RYs) and Fiscal Years (FYs), which are issued via a Recurring Update Notification.

RY 2009 - CR 6077

RY 2010 - CR 6461

RY 2011 - CR 6986

RY 2012 - CR 7367

FY 2013 - CR 8000

FY 2014 - CR 8395

FY 2015 - CR 8889

FY 2016 - CR 9305

FY 2017 - CR 9732

FY 2018 - CR 10214

FY 2019 - CR 10880

FY 2020 - CR 11420

FY 2021 – CR 11949

FY 2022- CR 12417

FY 2023 – CR 12859

FY 2024 – CR 13335

Change Requests can be accessed through the following CMS Transmittals Website:

<http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/InpatientPsychFacilPPS/Inpatient-Psychiatric-Facility-PPS-Transmittals.html>

Addendum A
FY 2024 IPF PPS Final Rates and Adjustment Factors

Per Diem Rate:

Federal Per Diem Base Rate	\$895.63
Labor Share (78.7%)	\$704.86
Non-Labor Share (21.3%)	\$190.77

Per Diem Rate Applying the 2 Percentage Point Reduction

Federal Per Diem Base Rate	\$878.29
Labor Share (78.7%)	\$691.21
Non-Labor Share (21.3%)	\$187.08

Fixed Dollar Loss Threshold Amount:

\$33,470

Wage Index Budget-Neutrality Factor:

1.0016

Facility Adjustments:

Rural Adjustment Factor	1.17
Teaching Adjustment Factor	0.5150
Wage Index	FY 2024 Pre-floor, Pre-reclassified IPPS Hospital Wage Index

Cost of Living Adjustments (COLAs):

Area	Cost of Living Adjustment Factor
Alaska:	
City of Anchorage and 80-kilometer (50-mile) radius by road	1.22
City of Fairbanks and 80-kilometer (50-mile) radius by road	1.22
City of Juneau and 80-kilometer (50-mile) radius by road	1.22
Rest of Alaska	1.24
Hawaii:	
City and County of Honolulu	1.25
County of Hawaii	1.22
County of Kauai	1.25
County of Maui and County of Kalawao	1.25

Patient Adjustments:

ECT – Per Treatment	\$385.58
ECT – Per Treatment Applying the 2 Percentage Point Reduction	\$378.12

Variable Per Diem Adjustments:

	Adjustment Factor
Day 1 -- Facility Without a Qualifying Emergency Department	1.19
Day 1 -- Facility With a Qualifying Emergency Department	1.31
Day 2	1.12
Day 3	1.08
Day 4	1.05
Day 5	1.04
Day 6	1.02
Day 7	1.01
Day 8	1.01
Day 9	1.00
Day 10	1.00
Day 11	0.99
Day 12	0.99
Day 13	0.99
Day 14	0.99
Day 15	0.98
Day 16	0.97
Day 17	0.97
Day 18	0.96
Day 19	0.95
Day 20	0.95
Day 21	0.95
After Day 21	0.92

Age Adjustments:

Age (in years)	Adjustment Factor
Under 45	1.00
45 and under 50	1.01
50 and under 55	1.02
55 and under 60	1.04
60 and under 65	1.07
65 and under 70	1.10
70 and under 75	1.13
75 and under 80	1.15
80 and over	1.17

DRG Adjustments:

MS-DRG	MS-DRG Descriptions	Adjustment Factor
056	Degenerative nervous system disorders w MCC	1.05
057	Degenerative nervous system disorders w/o MCC	1.05
080	Nontraumatic stupor & coma w MCC	1.07
081	Nontraumatic stupor & coma w/o MCC	1.07
876	O.R. procedure w principal diagnoses of mental illness	1.22
880	Acute adjustment reaction & psychosocial dysfunction	1.05
881	Depressive neuroses	0.99
882	Neuroses except depressive	1.02
883	Disorders of personality & impulse control	1.02
884	Organic disturbances & intellectual disabilities	1.03
885	Psychoses	1.00
886	Behavioral & developmental disorders	0.99
887	Other mental disorder diagnoses	0.92
894	Alcohol/drug abuse or dependence, left AMA	0.97
895	Alcohol/drug abuse or dependence w rehabilitation therapy	1.02
896	Alcohol/drug abuse or dependence w/o rehabilitation therapy w MCC	0.88
897	Alcohol/drug abuse or dependence w/o rehabilitation therapy w/o MCC	0.88

Comorbidity Adjustments:

Comorbidity	Adjustment Factor
Developmental Disabilities	1.04
Coagulation Factor Deficit	1.13
Tracheostomy	1.06
Eating and Conduct Disorders	1.12
Infectious Diseases	1.07
Renal Failure, Acute	1.11
Renal Failure, Chronic	1.11
Oncology Treatment	1.07
Uncontrolled Diabetes Mellitus	1.05
Severe Protein Malnutrition	1.13
Drug/Alcohol Induced Mental Disorders	1.03
Cardiac Conditions	1.11
Gangrene	1.10
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	1.12
Artificial Openings – Digestive & Urinary	1.08
Severe Musculoskeletal & Connective Tissue Diseases	1.09
Poisoning	1.11

National Median and Ceiling Cost-to-Charge Ratios (CCRs)

CCRs	Rural	Urban
National Median	0.5720	0.4200
National Ceiling	2.1419	1.8026