

State of California
 Department of Industrial Relations
 DIVISION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION



**Order of the Administrative Director of the
 Division of Workers' Compensation
 (OMFS Update for Physician Services and Non-Physician Practitioner Services -
 Effective January 1, 2016)**

On November 30, 2015, pursuant to Labor Code section 5307.1(g)(1),(2), the Administrative Director of the Division of Workers' Compensation issued an order that Title 8, California Code of Regulations, section 9789.19, pertaining to the Physician and Non-Physician Practitioner Services Fee Schedule portion of the Official Medical Fee Schedule, be adjusted to conform to relevant changes in the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule final rule, published in the Federal Register (Vol. 80 FR 70886), November 16, 2015 titled, "Medicare Program; Revisions to Payment Policies under the Physician Fee Schedule and Other Revisions to Part B for CY 2016," (CMS-1631-FC).

This order adopts further updates to the Physician and Non-Physician Practitioner Services Fee Schedule for 2016, pursuant to Labor Code section 5307.1(g)(1),(2), including revisions to sections 9789.12.2 and 9789.19 of Title 8 California Code of Regulations. The following changes are adopted for services rendered on or after January 1, 2016.

Title 8, California Code of Regulations section 9789.12.2 subdivision (d)(2) is amended to adopt revisions to the Place of Service Code for Outpatient Hospital Departments as shown in the POS Code table excerpt below. In addition, reference to POS 19 is added to the narrative text in subdivision (d)(2). The amendments to the Place of Service Codes adopt relevant changes set forth in CMS' Transmittal 3315, Change Request 9231, issued on August 6, 2015.

POS Code and Name Description	Payment Rate Facility = F Nonfacility = NF
<u>19 Off Campus-Outpatient Hospital</u> <u>A portion of an off-campus hospital provider based department which provides diagnostic, therapeutic (both surgical and nonsurgical), and rehabilitation services to sick or injured persons who do not require hospitalization or institutionalization.</u> <u>(Effective for Services on or after January 1, 2016)</u>	<u>F</u>
22 Outpatient Hospital A portion of a hospital which provides diagnostic, therapeutic (both surgical and nonsurgical), and rehabilitation services to sick or injured persons who do not require hospitalization or institutionalization. <u>(Effective for services prior to January 1, 2016)</u>	F

<u>22 On Campus-Outpatient Hospital</u> <u>A portion of a hospital’s main campus which provides diagnostic, therapeutic (both surgical and nonsurgical), and rehabilitation services to sick or injured persons who do not require hospitalization or institutionalization.</u> <u>(Effective for Services on or after January 1, 2016)</u>	<u>F</u>
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Title 8, California Code of Regulations section 9789.19 subdivision (c) is amended to adopt and incorporate by reference the following files.

- CMS’ Medicare National Correct Coding Initiative Practitioner PTP Edits
Practitioner PTP Edits v22.0 effective January 1, 2016 (903,287 records). The last row contains edits column 1 = 39599 and column 2 = 49570
Practitioner PTP Edits v22.0 effective January 1, 2016 (866,823 records). The first row contains edits column 1 = 40490 and column 2 = 00170
- CMS’ Medically Unlikely Edits
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The text of regulations (with footer “Effective 1/1/2016 (Revised 12/16/2015) Title 8, CCR, §§ 9789.12.1, et seq.”) shows the amendments issued by the November 30, 2015 order in underline text, and amendments made by this December 16, 2015 order in double underline text.

The changes made by this order are effective for services rendered on or after January 1, 2016.

This Order, the regulations, and CMS’ Medically Unlikely Edits shall be published on the website of the Division of Workers’ Compensation: <http://www.dir.ca.gov/DWC/OMFS9904.htm>

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: December 16, 2015

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY _____
DESTIE LEE OVERPECK
Administrative Director of the
Division of Workers’ Compensation