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



Order of the Acting Administrative Director of the Division of Workers' Compensation Official Medical Fee Schedule – Ambulance Fee Schedule Inflation Factor Effective for Services Rendered on or after April 1, 2013

Pursuant to Labor Code section 5307.1(g), the Acting Administrative Director of the Division of Workers' Compensation orders that Title 8, California Code of Regulations, section 9789.70, pertaining to Ambulance Services in the Official Medical Fee Schedule, is adjusted to conform to the January 1, 2013 change to the Medicare payment system.

Medicare Data Source

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) announced the CY 2013 Ambulance Inflation Factor in CMS Manual System Transmittal No. 2620, Change Request 8156 to Pub. 100-04.

CMS Manual System Transmittal No. 2620 is published on the website of the Division of Workers' Compensation at: http://www.dir.ca.gov/DWC/OMFS9904.htm

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services has determined that the Ambulance Inflation Factor for Calendar Year 2013 is 0.80 percent. This figure results from the subtraction of the 10-year moving average of changes in annual economy-wide private non-farm business multi-factor productivity (MFP) from the consumer price index for all urban consumers (CPI-U).

Application of Ambulance Inflation Factor to OMFS

For services provided on or after April 1, 2013, the Ambulance Inflation Factor is to be applied to fees by using the ambulance service fees in the CY 2013 Ambulance Fee Schedule Public Use File. The CY 2013 Ambulance Fee Schedule Public Use File is presently located on the internet at:

http://www.cms.gov/AmbulanceFeeSchedule/02_afspuf.asp and is published on the website of the Division of Workers' Compensation at: http://www.dir.ca.gov/DWC/OMFS9904.htm

This Order 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: March 19, 2013 ORIGINAL ORDER SIGNED

DESTIE LEE OVERPECK
Acting Administrative Director of the
Division of Workers' Compensation