Pursuant to Labor Code section 5307.1(g)(2), the Administrative Director of the Division of Workers’ Compensation orders that the Hospital Outpatient Departments and Ambulatory Surgical Centers Fee schedule portion of the Official Medical Fee Schedule contained in title 8, California Code of Regulations, section 9789.39, is adjusted to conform to changes in the Medicare system, effective for services rendered on or after April 1, 2019. The update includes changes identified in Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services Change Request (CR) number 11216 (March 15, 2019), Transmittal R4255CP.

This Order adopts changes to the OMFS for the Hospital Outpatient Departments and Ambulatory Surgical Centers services to conform to the following Medicare changes:

1) **The April 2019 Medicare Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS) release.**
   The CMS’ Medicare Addendum A as indicated below is adopted and incorporated by reference, and conforming changes are adopted to title 8, California Code of Regulations, section 9789.39:
   
   For services rendered on or after April 1, 2019:
   2019_April_Web_Addendum_A.03222019.xlsx

2) **The April 2019 Medicare Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS) release.**
   The CMS’ Medicare Addendum B as indicated below is adopted and incorporated by reference, and conforming changes are adopted to title 8, California Code of Regulations, section 9789.39:
   
   For services rendered on or after April 1, 2019:
   Addendum B [2019-April-Addendum-B.zip]
   2019_April_Web_Addendum_B.03222019.xlsx
3) The April 2019 Ambulatory Surgical Center Payment System release. Certain columns of the CMS’ Medicare April 2019 ASC Approved HCPCS Code and Payment Rates as indicated below is adopted and incorporated by reference, and conforming changes are adopted to title 8, California Code of Regulations, section 9789.39:

   For services rendered on or after April 1, 2019:
   April 2019 ASC Approved HCPCS Code and Payment Rates
   [2019-Apr-ASC-Addenda.zip]
   Apr_2019_ASC_Addenda.03222019.xlsx
   o Column A entitled “HCPCS Code” of “Apr 2019 ASC AA”
   o Column A entitled “HCPCS Code” of “Apr 2019 ASC EE”

4) The April 2019 Integrated Outpatient Code Editor (I/OCE) release. Certain sections of the CMS’ IOCE Quarterly Data Files V20.1 [ZIP, 50MB] as indicated below is adopted and incorporated by reference, and conforming changes are adopted to title 8, California Code of Regulations, section 9789.39:

   For services rendered on or after April 1, 2019:
   IOCE Quarterly Data Files V20.1 [ZIP, 50MB]
   IntegOCEspecsV20.1.pdf
   o Sections 5.4.1, 5.4.3, 5.4.5, 5.5, 5.6.1, 5.6.1.1, 5.6.2, 5.6.3, 5.6.4, 5.6.4.1, and 5.6.4.2.

This Order and the updated regulations are effective for services rendered on or after April 1, 2019 and 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 22, 2019

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY
GEORGE P. PARISOTTO
Administrative Director of the
Division of Workers’ Compensation