Order of the Administrative Director of the Division of Workers’ Compensation  
(OMFS Update for Outpatient Hospital and Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) Services  
Effective April 1, 2007)

Pursuant to Labor Code section 5307.1(g)(2), the Administrative Director of the Division of Workers’ Compensation orders that Title 8, California Code of Regulations, section 9789.35, Table B, pertaining to Hospital Outpatient Departments and Ambulatory Surgical Centers Fee Schedule in the Official Medical Fee Schedule, is adjusted to conform to the notice of March 23, 2007, published in the Federal Register, Vol. 72, No. 56, FR 13799, entitled, “Medicare Program; Extension of Certain Hospital Wage Index Reclassifications” (CMS-1384-N; effective date: April 1, 2007) which extends the expiration date for certain geographic reclassifications as implemented by Division B, Title I, section 106 of the Tax Relief and Health Care Act of 2006. These geographic classifications, which affected hospitals’ wage indices, were previously set to expire on March 31, 2007, and are now extended to September 30, 2007. For Tahoe Forest Hospital District, provider number 050494, the hospital specific wage index effective April 1, 2007 through September 30, 2007, shall be 1.4116, and effective October 1, 2007, the hospital specific wage index shall be 1.1518. The wage-adjusted conversion factor for Tahoe Forest Hospital, provider number 050494, effective April 1, 2007 through September 30, 2007, shall be $79.77, and effective October 1, 2007, the wage-adjusted conversion factor shall be $69.79. For Los Robles Hospital & Medical Center, provider number 050549, the hospital specific wage index effective April 1, 2007 through September 30, 2007, shall be 1.4116, and effective October 1, 2007, the hospital specific wage index shall be 1.152. The wage-adjusted conversion factor for Los Robles Hospital & Medical Center, provider number 050549, effective April 1, 2007 through September 30, 2007, shall be $74.48, and effective October 1, 2007, the wage-adjusted conversion factor shall be $65.18.

Pursuant to Labor Code section 5307.1(g)(2), the Administrative Director of the Division of Workers’ Compensation orders that to the extent references to the Federal Register or Code of Federal Regulations are made in any sections starting from section 9789.30 through 9789.38 of Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations, said section is hereby amended to incorporate by reference the applicable Federal Register final rule (including additional notices, correction notices, and revisions) and Federal Regulations in effect as of the date this Order becomes effective, to be applied to services rendered on or after April 1, 2007.
The effective date of the above amendment is for visits and procedures rendered on or after April 1, 2007. This Order, and amended section 9789.35 shall be published on the website for the Division of Workers’ Compensation: http://www.dir.ca.gov/DWC/OMFS9904.htm

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: April 25, 2007

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY
CARRIE NEVANS
Acting Administrative Director of the
Division of Workers’ Compensation