STATE PLAN TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES

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Hospital based rural health clinic services are paid at the provider's encounter rate established by Medicare that is in effect for the date of service. When a hospital based rural health clinic receives the annual rate notification from CMS, the provider forwards a copy of that notice to the state agency which then implements that rate for the provider for Medicaid payments. There is no retroactive cost settlement. The effective date of this change is July 1, 2015.

Effective August 1, 2024, the OPPS rates will be increased for eligible hospitals. To be deemed eligible a provider must be licensed in the state of New Mexico and receiving Medicaid reimbursement less than the Medicare equivalent rate.

Eligible providers are grouped into 4 classes defined below. Each class of eligible providers will receive an increase to their OPPS rate applicable to the class of providers:

- i. Underserved 20% Rate Increase Effective August 1, 2024 Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) Underserved definition: Medically Underserved Areas/Populations (MUA) are areas or populations designated by HRSA as having too few primary care providers, high infant mortality, high poverty or a high elderly population. The lowest score (highest need) is 0; the highest score (lowest need) is 100. To qualify for underserved designation, the Index of Medical Underservice (IMU) score must be less than or equal to 62.0.
- ii. Rural 12% Rate Increase Effective August 1, 2024 Are those that are not urban or underserved.
- iii. Urban 6% Rate Increase Effective August 1, 2024 Based on Rural Health Information Hub (RHI) supported by HRSA; NM Urban counties are Bernalillo, Los Alamos, Sandoval, Santa Fe and Dona Ana.
- iv. University of New Mexico (and affiliates) 4% Rate Increase effective August 1, 2024.

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