

CHAPTER 30. MEDICAL PROVIDERS-FEE FOR SERVICE  
SUBCHAPTER 5. INDIVIDUAL PROVIDERS AND SPECIALTIES  
PART 21. OUTPATIENT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES

**317:30-5-245. Reimbursement**

~~(a) Reimbursement for Outpatient Behavioral Health services is determined using a relative value unit (RVU) fee schedule. The RVU weights were initially developed by OHCA staff and a panel of external behavioral health providers in 1996. All behavioral health services were ranked according to the resources used in furnishing a service. Individual therapy was chosen to have an RVU weight equal to 1.00, and the respective RVU's for the remaining services were developed accordingly.~~

~~(b) A Conversion Factor (CF) is a monetary value that converts RVU's into payment amounts. Outpatient Behavioral Health providers use the same RVU's but payment levels differ according to provider specialty or age of recipient. There are three separate CFs; one for adults in public facilities, one for adults in private facilities and one for all children.~~

~~(c) The general formula for calculating the fee schedule can be expressed as  $RVU \times CF = Rate$ . The RVUs and CFs will be periodically reviewed and adjusted as deemed necessary.~~

Payment is made at the lower of the provider's usual and customary charge or the OHCA fee schedule for SoonerCare compensable services.