

**METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES  
OTHER TYPES OF CARE**

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**1. Payment for physicians' services (includes medical and remedial care and services)**

Payment for physician's services, radiology services and services rendered by other practitioners under the scope of their practice under State law, are covered under the Agency fee schedule. The payment amount for each service paid for under the fee schedule is the product of a uniform relative value unit (RVU) for each service and a conversion factor (CF). The CF converts the relative values into payment amounts. The general formula for calculating the fee schedule can be expressed as:

$$\text{RVU} \times \text{CF} = \text{Rate}$$

EPSTD screening and eye exams by optometrists have been incorporated into the fee schedule.

The fee schedule is uniformly applied to public and private providers unless otherwise described in the plan. The fee schedules for the above listed services are maintained in the Agency database and posted to the Agency's website ([www.okhca.org](http://www.okhca.org)).

Effective February 1, 2010, payment will not be made to physicians or other practitioners for three national coverage determinations which relate to serious, preventable errors in medical care. These errors include surgery performed on wrong body part, surgery performed on wrong patient, and wrong surgery performed on patient.

Effective for services provided on or after 04-01-10, the rates in effect on 03-31-10 will be decreased by 3.25%.

Effective for services provided on or after 07-01-14, the rates in effect on 06-30-14 will be decreased by 7.75%.

Effective 07-01-15, payment for physician services is based on place of service and utilizes both facility and non-facility Medicare physician fee schedule total RVUs to determine reimbursement.

Effective for services provided on or after 01-01-16, the rates in effect on 12-31-15 will be decreased by 3%.

Effective for Private Duty Nursing services provided on or after 09-01-16, the rate paid will be the rate in effect as of 12-31-15.

Effective for Private Duty Nursing services provided on or after 10-01-17, the rates in effect on 09-30-17 will be increased by 19.84 %.

Effective for services provided by Behavioral Health Professional Licensure Candidates in an outpatient behavioral health clinic setting on or after 05-01-16, the rates in effect on 04-30-16 will be decreased by 10%.

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