

More Information Available on FY 2013 SNF PPS Medicare Part A Rates

As previously advised, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) released a rate notice on Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Prospective Payment System (PPS) rates for the federal Fiscal Year (FY) beginning Oct. 1, 2012. The notice states that rates will increase by an average of 1.8 percent. This average will vary by facility, based on changes in regional wage indices and changes in resident case mix. The “fiscal cliff” could also impact facility revenue for next year. CMS is issuing this rate notice in lieu of a formal notice of proposed rulemaking since they are not implementing any programmatic or policy changes to the SNF PPS system.

For member convenience, we have analyzed the new Part A rates by region for both regular and AIDs enhanced rates. This analysis along with a link to the LeadingAge rate calculation tool and a listing of wage index changes are all available on our website.

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