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GENERAL MEMORANDUM 10-077

Indian Health Service Issues Reimbursement Rates for Calendar Year 2010

The Indian Health Service has issued its Calendar Year (CY) 2010 reimbursement rates applicable to Medicare and Medicaid services provided by Indian Health Service-funded health programs (operated by IHS and tribes/tribal organizations). These rates are set annually by IHS with the concurrence of the Office of Management and Budget and are based on cost reports compiled by IHS. The 2010 rates were published in the attached June 16, 2010, FEDERAL REGISTER notice.

Medicare Part A (inpatient services) rates are not included in the notice as they are paid based on the prospective payment system. A comparison of the 2009 and 2010 rates follows:

Inpatient Hospital Per Diem Rate (Excludes Physician Services) for MEDICAID

	CY 2009	CY 2010
Lower 48	\$1,906	\$2,046
Alaska	\$2,238	\$2,246

Outpatient Per Visit Rate (Excluding Medicare) for MEDICAID

	CY 2009	CY 2010
Lower 48	\$268	\$289
Alaska	\$446	\$448

Outpatient Per Visit Rate for MEDICARE

	CY 2009	CY 2010
Lower 48	\$230	\$246
Alaska	\$407	\$415

MEDICARE Part B Inpatient Ancillary Per Diem Rate

	CY 2009	CY 2010
Lower 48	\$397	\$429
Alaska	\$705	\$689

The Outpatient Surgery Rates for Medicare are the established Medicare rates for freestanding Ambulatory Surgery Centers.

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providers, and persons responsible for developing, implementing, and evaluating infection prevention and control programs for healthcare settings across the continuum of care. This guideline provides evidence-based recommendations for prevention and control of norovirus outbreaks in healthcare settings.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before July 16, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the *Draft Guideline* should be submitted by e-mail to HCNoro@cdc.gov or by mail to CDC, Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion, Attn: Michelle King, 1600 Clifton Rd., NE, Mailstop A-07, Atlanta, Georgia, 30333; or by fax 404-639-4049. All comments received will be posted electronically for viewing at: <http://www.cdc.gov/publiccomments/>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michelle King, HICPAC, Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion, NCEZID, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road, NE., Mailstop A-07, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, Telephone: (404) 639-2936, E-mail: HICPAC@cdc.gov.

Dated: June 10, 2010.

Tanja Popovic,

Deputy Associate Director of Science Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; Biomarkers in Acute Kidney Injury Ancillary Studies.

Date: July 28, 2010.

Time: 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Two Democracy Plaza, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call)

Contact Person: Carol J. Goter-Robinson, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Review Branch, DEA, NIDDK, National Institutes of Health, Room 748, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892-5452, (301) 594-7791, goterobinsonc@extra.niddk.nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.847, Diabetes, Endocrinology and Metabolic Research; 93.848, Digestive Diseases and Nutrition Research; 93.849, Kidney Diseases, Urology and Hematology Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: June 10, 2010.

Jennifer Spaeth,

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences Special Emphasis Panel, Pathway to Independence/Career Development.

Date: July 19, 2010.

Time: 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: NIEHS/National Institutes of Health, Building 4401, East Campus, 79 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Linda K. Bass, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Branch, Division of Extramural Research and Training, Nat. Institute Environmental Health Sciences, P.O. Box 12233, MD EC-30, Research Triangle Park,

NC 27709, (919) 541-1307, bass@niehs.nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.115, Biometry and Risk Estimation—Health Risks from Environmental Exposures; 93.142, NIEHS Hazardous Waste Worker Health and Safety Training; 93.143, NIEHS Superfund Hazardous Substances—Basic Research and Education; 93.894, Resources and Manpower Development in the Environmental Health Sciences; 93.113, Biological Response to Environmental Health Hazards; 93.114, Applied Toxicological Research and Testing, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: June 9, 2010.

Jennifer Spaeth,

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy,

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Indian Health Service

Reimbursement Rates for Calendar Year 2010

AGENCY: Indian Health Service, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is given that the Director of Indian Health Service (IHS), under the authority of sections 321(a) and 322(b) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 248 and 249(b)), Public Law 83-568 (42 U.S.C. 2001(a)), and the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (25 U.S.C. 1601 *et seq.*), has approved the following rates for inpatient and outpatient medical care provided by IHS facilities for Calendar Year 2010 for Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries and beneficiaries of other Federal programs. The Medicare Part A inpatient rates are excluded from the table below as they are paid based on the prospective payment system. Since the inpatient rates set forth below do not include all physician services and practitioner services, additional payment may be available to the extent that those services meet applicable requirements. Section 1880 of the Social Security Act authorizes Medicare Part B payment to hospitals and ambulatory care clinics operated by IHS or by an Indian Tribe or Tribal organization.

	Calendar Year 2010
Inpatient Hospital Per Diem Rate (Excludes Physician/Practitioner Services)	
Lower 48 States	\$2,046
Alaska	2,246

		Calendar Year 2010
Outpatient Per Visit Rate (Excluding Medicare)		
Lower 48 States		\$289
Alaska		448
Outpatient Per Visit Rate (Medicare)		
Lower 48 States		\$246
Alaska		415
Medicare Part B Inpatient Ancillary Per Visit Rate		
Lower 48 States		\$429
Alaska		689
Outpatient Surgery Rate (Medicare)		
Established Medicare rates for freestanding Ambulatory Surgery Centers		
Effective Date for Calendar Year 2010 Rates		
Consistent with previous annual rate revisions, the Calendar Year 2010 rates will be effective for services provided on/or after January 1, 2010 to the extent consistent with payment authorities including the applicable Medicaid State plan.		

Dated: April 8, 2010.

Yvette Roubideaux,

Director, Indian Health Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Transportation Security Administration

Intent To Request Renewal From OMB of One Current Public Collection of Information; Office of Law Enforcement/Federal Air Marshal Service Mental Health Certification

AGENCY: Transportation Security Administration, DHS.

ACTION: 60-day notice.

SUMMARY: The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) invites public comment on one currently approved information collection request (ICR), OMB control number 1652-0043, abstracted below, that TSA will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for renewal in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. The ICR involves a certification form that applicants for the Office of Law Enforcement/Federal Air Marshal are required to complete regarding their mental health history.

DATES: Send your comments by August 16, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed or delivered to Joanna Johnson, Communications Branch, Business Management Office, Office of Information Technology, TSA-11, Transportation Security Administration, 701 South 12th Street, Arlington, VA 20598.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joanna Johnson at the above address, or by telephone (571) 227-3651 or facsimile (571) 227-2907.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The ICR documentation is available at <http://www.reginfo.gov>. Therefore, in preparation for OMB review and approval of the following information collection, TSA is soliciting comments to—

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed information requirement is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including using appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Information Collection Requirement

Pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 44917, TSA has authority to provide for deployment of Federal Air Marshals (FAMs) on passenger flights and provide for appropriate training, supervision, and equipment of FAMs. In furtherance of this authority, TSA policy requires that applicants for the Office of Law Enforcement/Federal Air Marshal positions meet certain medical and mental health standards.

In order to evaluate whether applicants meet TSA standards, applicants must undergo a psychological evaluation determining that they do not have an established medical history or clinical diagnosis of psychosis, neurosis, or any other personality or mental disorder that clearly demonstrates a potential hazard

to the performance of FAM duties or the safety of self or others. As part of the psychological evaluation, applicants are required to complete a certification form regarding their mental health history and provide an explanation for anything they cannot certify. Applicants will be asked whether they can certify various statements including that they have never been removed from work for medical or psychological reasons.

Upon completion, applicants submit the certification form directly to the FAMS' Medical Programs Division (FAMS MPD) for initial screening via fax, electronic upload via scanning document, mail, or in person. The FAMS MPD screens all certification forms received. Any explanations for uncertified items received will generally require further review and follow-up by a contract psychologist or psychiatrist. This certification is carefully geared to capitalize on other elements of the assessment process, such as personal interviews, physical task assessment, background investigation, as well as the other components of the medical examination and assessment. TSA estimates that there will be 10,000 respondents annually.

It will take each respondent approximately one hour to complete the certification form for a total annual hour burden of 10,000 hours.

Issued in Arlington, Virginia, on June 10, 2010.

Joanna Johnson,

Paperwork Reduction Act Officer, Office of Information Technology.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID FEMA-2008-0017]

Voluntary Private Sector Accreditation and Certification Preparedness Program

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) announces its adoption of three standards for the Voluntary Private Sector Accreditation and Certification Preparedness Program ("PS-Prep" Program). This Notice identifies the three standards and discusses generally the public comments which were received in