

RULE

**Department of Health and Hospitals
Office of the Secretary
Bureau of Health Services Financing**

Hospital Program
Out-of-State Hospitals? Outpatient Services
Reimbursement Reduction

The Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of the Secretary, Bureau of Health Services Financing promulgates the following Rule under the Medical Assistance Program as authorized by R.S. 36:254 and pursuant to Title XIX of the Social Security Act. This Rule is promulgated in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq.

Rule

The Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of the Secretary, Bureau of Health Services Financing amends the reimbursement methodology contained in the January 1996 Rule for outpatient services provided in out-of-state hospitals to 31.04 percent of billed charges. Outpatient services subject to a fee schedule will continue to be reimbursed per the fee schedule amounts. This reimbursement methodology is applicable for all Louisiana Medicaid recipients who receive outpatient services in an out-of-state hospital, including those recipients up to the age of 21.

Implementation of the provisions of this Rule shall be contingent upon the approval of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

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Secretary

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