

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

Hospital Program Outpatient Surgery Services
HIPAA Implementation

Editor's Note: The following Rule is being repromulgated to correct typographical errors. This Rule may be viewed in its entirety on page 2058 of the September 2004 edition of the *Louisiana Register*.

The Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of the Secretary, Bureau of Health Services Financing promulgates the following Rule in 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 provisions of 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 rules governing the billing and reimbursement of all outpatient hospital surgery services. Current Standard Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes and modifiers shall be used to bill for all outpatient hospital surgery services. Medicaid payment rates shall be established and assigned to each code based on the Medicare payment rates for ambulatory surgery center services.

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