

Layout for CY 2009 Proposed Rule Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) Payment System

Supplier Specific File

This supplier level data is abstracted from an internal file used to calculate the budget neutrality adjustments for the proposed CY 2009 ASC Payment System. This file only contains data for ASC services billed in 2007 that were eligible to receive payment under the previous ASC Payment System and does not include services that were added under the revised ASC Payment System. We used these CY 2007 claims<sup>1</sup>, along with CY 2008 payment rates and wage indices and proposed CY 2009 payment rates and wage indices, to model payment under the current CY 2008 ASC Payment System and the proposed CY 2009 ASC Payment System.

Column	Title	Description
A	Carrier	Medicare contractor that processes claims for ASC.
B	Supplier Identification Number	Supplier identification number. <sup>2</sup>
C	Allowed Services	The total number of services that we estimate a supplier would be allowed to bill for under the proposed system. <sup>3</sup>
D	CY 2009 Pre floor and Pre reclassification Wage Index	Proposed CY 2009 Pre floor and Pre reclassification wage index assigned by core based statistical area (CBSA).
E	Core Based Statistical Area for Wage Index assignment (CBSA)	Labor market area assignment for purposes of assigning the wage index.
F	Supplier State	State level SSA designation for supplier based on geographic location of facility.
G	Supplier County	County level SSA designation for supplier based on geographic location of facility.
H	State Label	State abbreviation.
I	Estimated 2009 transitional ASC payment	2009 aggregated transition payment to supplier. This number is wage adjusted by the CY 2008 wage index to reflect differences in labor market areas. Calculated aggregated payments are represented in whole dollars with no cents.
J	Estimated 2008 transitional ASC payment	2008 aggregated transition payment to supplier. This number is wage adjusted by the CY 2009 wage index to reflect differences in labor market areas. Calculated aggregated payments are represented in whole dollars with no cents.
K	Region	CMS region of country supplier is located.
L	Carrier Name	Medicare contractor name that processes claims for ASC.
M	Discounted allowed Services	The discounted number of services that we estimate a supplier would be allowed to bill for under the proposed system. <sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>In our calculation of aggregate payment to suppliers, we revised 2007 HCPCS codes (where appropriate) to their current 2008 status and description using an internal 2007-2008 crosswalk file.

<sup>2</sup> We defined the supplier identifier values by concatenating the carrier number and provider identification number variables.

<sup>3</sup> Most covered surgical procedures are subject to a 50 percent reduction in the ASC payment for the lower-paying procedure when more than one procedure is performed in a single operative session.