TABLE 5.—LIST OF DIAGNOSIS-RELATED GROUPS (DRGS), RELATIVE WEIGHTING FACTORS, AND GEOGRAPHIC AND ARITHMETIC MEAN LENGTH OF STAY (LOS)—Continued

DRG	MDC	Туре	DRG title	Relative weights	Geometric mean LOS	Arithmetic mean LOS
519	8	SURG	CERVICAL SPINAL FUSION W CC	2.4228	3.2	5.1
520	8	SURG	CERVICAL SPINAL FUSION W/O CC	1.5749	1.7	2.1
521	20	MED	ALCOHOL/DRUG ABUSE OR DEPENDENCE W CC	0.7054	4.3	5.8
522	20	MED	ALC/DRUG ABUSE OR DEPEND W REHABILITATION THERAPY W/O CC.	0.5151	7.7	9.6
523	20	MED	ALC/DRUG ABUSE OR DEPEND W/O REHABILITATION THERAPY W/O CC.	0.3929	3.3	4.1
524	1	MED	TRANSIENT ISCHEMIA	0.7252	2.7	3.4
525	5	SURG	HEART ASSIST SYSTEM IMPLANT	11.4482	9.0	17.6
526	5	SURG	PERCUTNEOUS CARDIOVASULAR PROC W DRUG ELUTING	2.9729	3.6	4.5
			STENT W AMI.			
527	5	SURG	PERCUTNEOUS CARDIOVASULAR PROC W DRUG ELUTING STENT W/O AMI.	2.4342	1.8	2.6
528	1	SURG	INTRACRANIAL VASCULAR PROC W PDX HEMORRHAGE	7.0434	14.1	17.2
529	1	SURG	VENTRICULAR SHUNT PROCEDURES W CC	3.1094	6.6	10.6
530	1	SURG	VENTRICULAR SHUNT PROCEDURES W/O CC	1.2664	2.9	3.9
531	1	SURG	SPINAL PROCEDURES W CC	3.0474	6.8	10.0
532	1	SURG	SPINAL PROCEDURES W/O CC	1.4487	2.9	4.0
533	1	SURG	EXTRACRANIAL PROCEDURES W CC	1.6578	2.7	4.1
534	1	SURG	EXTRACRANIAL PROCEDURES W/O CC	1.0689	1.6	2.0
535	5	SURG	CARDIAC DEFIB IMPLANT W CARDIAC CATH W AMI/HF/SHOCK	8.1344	8.1	11.0
536	5	SURG	CARDIAC DEFIB IMPLANT W CARDIAC CATH W/O AMI/HF/SHOCK	6.2536	3.9	5.8
537	8	SURG	LOCAL EXCIS & REMOV OF INT FIX DEV EXCEPT HIP & FEMUR W	1.8090	4.7	7.0
			CC.			
538	8	SURG	LOCAL EXCIS & REMOV OF INT FIX DEV EXCEPT HIP & FEMUR W/	0.9874	2.1	2.9
			O CC.			
539	17	SURG	LYMPHOMA & LEUKEMIA W MAJOR OR PROCEDURE W CC	3.3744	7.5	11.2
540	17	SURG	LYMPHOMA & LEUKEMIA W MAJOR OR PROCEDURE W/O CC	1.2851	2.9	4.1

^{*}Medicare data have been supplemented by data from 19 States for low volume DRGs. **DRGs 469 and 470 contain cases that could not be assigned to valid DRGs.

TABLE 6A.—NEW DIAGNOSIS CODES

Diagnosis code	Description	CC	MDC	DRG
255.10	Primary aldosteronism	N	10	300, 301
255.11	Glucocorticoid-remediable aldosteronism		10	300, 301
255.12	Conn's syndrome	N	10	300, 301
255.13	Bartter's syndrome		10	300, 301
255.14	Other secondary aldosteronism	N	10	300, 301
277.81	Primary carnitine deficiency	N	10	299
277.82	Carnitine deficiency due to inborn errors of metabolism		10	299
277.83	latrogenic carnitine deficiency	N	10	299
277.84	Other secondary carnitine deficiency	N	10	299
277.89	Other specified disorders of metabolism	N	10	299
282.41	Sickle-cell thalassemia without crisis	Υ	15	1387, 1389
			16	395, 396
282.42	Sickle-cell thalassemia with crisis	Υ	15	1387, 1389
			16	395, 396
282.49	Other thalassemia	Υ	15	1387, 1389
			16	395, 396
282.64	Sickle-cell/Hb-C disease with crisis	Υ	16	395. 396
282.68	Other sickle-cell disease without crisis	Υ	16	395, 396
289.52	Splenic sequestration	N	16	398, 399
289.81	Primary hypercoagulable state	Υ	16	398, 399
289.82	Secondary hypercoagulable state	Υ	16	398. 399
289.89	Other specified diseases of blood and blood-forming organs	N	16	398, 399
331.11	Pick's disease	N	1	12
331.19	Other frontotemporal dementia	N	1	12
331.82	Dementia with Lewy bodies		1	12
348.30	Encephalopathy, unspecified		1	16. 17
	1 1 50 11		25	2489
348.31	Metabolic encephalopathy	N	1	16. 17
2.2.0.			25	2489
348.39	Other encephalopathy	N	1	16, 17
			25	2489

TABLE 6A.—NEW DIAGNOSIS CODES—Continued

Diagnosis code	Description	СС	MDC	DRG
358.00	Myasthenia gravis without (acute) exacerbation	Υ	1	12
358.01	Myasthenia gravis with (acute) exacerbation	Ý	1	12
414.07	Coronary atherosclerosis, Of bypass graft (artery) (vein) of transplanted heart	Ň	5	132,133
458.21	Hypotension of hemodialysis	N	5	141, 142
458.29	Other iatrogenic hypotension	N	5	141,142
493.81	Exercise induced bronchospasm	N	4	96, 97, 98
493.82	Cough variant asthma	N	4	96, 97, 98
517.3	Acute chest syndrome	N	4	92, 93
530.20	Ulcer of esophagus without bleeding	N	6	176
530.21	Ulcer of esophagus with bleeding	Y	6	176
530.85	Barrett's esophagus	N	6	176
600.00	Hypertrophy (benign) of prostate without urinary obstruction	N	12	348, 349
600.01	Hypertrophy (benign) of prostate with urinary obstruction	N	12	348, 349
600.10	Nodular prostate without urinary obstruction	N	12	348, 349
600.11	Nodular prostate with urinary obstruction	N	12	348, 349
600.20	Benign localized hyperplasia of prostate without urinary obstruction	N	12	348, 349
600.21	Benign localized hyperplasia of prostate with urinary obstruction	N	12	348, 349
600.90	Hyperplasia of prostate, unspecified, without urinary obstruction	N	12	348, 349
600.91 607.85	Hyperplasia of prostate, unspecified, with urinary obstruction	N	12	348, 349
674.50	Peripartum cardiomyopathy, unspecified as to episode of care or not applicable	N Y	12	352 469
674.51	Peripartum cardiomyopathy, delivered, with or without mention of antepartum	Y	14 14	370, 371, 372, 374,
074.51	condition.	'	14	375
674.52	Peripartum cardiomyopathy, delivered, with mention of postpartum condition	Y	14	370, 371, 372, 374, 375
674.53	Peripartum cardiomyopathy, antepartum condition or complication	Y	14	383, 384
674.54	Peripartum cardiomyopathy, postpartum condition or complication	Ϋ́	14	376, 377
719.7	Difficulty in walking	N	8	247
728.87	Muscle weakness	N	8	247
728.88	Rhabdomyolysis	Υ	8	248
752.81	Scrotal transposition	N	12	352
752.89	Other specified anomalies of genital organs	N	12	352
766.21	Post-term infant	N	15	391
766.22	Prolonged gestation of infant	N	15	391
767.11	Epicranial subaponeurotic hemorrhage (massive)	Υ	15	389
767.19	Other injuries to scalp	N	15	391
779.83	Delayed separation of umbilical cord	N	15	391
780.93	Memory loss	N	23	463, 464
780.94	Early satiety	N	23	463, 464
781.94	Facial weakness	N	1	34, 35
785.52	Septic shock	Y	18	416, 417
788.63	Urgency of urination	N	11	325, 326, 327
790.21	Impaired fasting glucose	N	10	296, 297, 298
790.22	Impaired glucose tolerance test (oral)	N	10	296, 297, 298
790.29	Other abnormal glucose	N	10	296, 297, 298
799.81	Decreased libido	N	23	467
799.89	Other ill-defined conditions	N	23	467
850.11	Concussion, with loss of consciousness of 30 minutes or less	Y	1	31, 32, 33
050.40	Concursion with loss of consciousness from 24 to 50 minutes	Υ	24	487
850.12	Concussion, with loss of consciousness from 31 to 59 minutes	T	1	31, 32, 33
959.11	Other injury of chest wall	N	24	487 444, 445, 446
939.11	Other injury of criest wall	l IN	21 24	487
959.12	Other injury of abdomen	N		444, 445, 446
959.12	Other injury of abdomen	IN	21 24	487
959.13	Fracture of corpus cavernosum penis	N	21	444, 445, 446
959.15	riacture or corpus cavernosum penis	IN	24	487
959.14	Other injury of external genitals	N	21	444, 445, 446
959.19	Other injury of other sites of trunk	N	24 21	487 444, 445, 446
996.57	Complication, Due to insulin pump	Y	24 21	487 452, 453
V04.81	Need for prophylactic vaccination and inoculation, Influenza	Ň	23	467
V04.81 V04.82	Need for prophylactic vaccination and inoculation, initidenza	N	23	467
V04.89	Need for prophylactic vaccination and inoculation, Other viral diseases	N	23	467
V15.87	History of Extracorporeal Membrance Oxygenation (ECMO)	N	23	467
V25.03	Encounter for emergency contraceptive counseling and prescription	N	23	467
V43.21	Organ or tissue replaced by other means, Heart assist device	Ϋ́	5	144, 145
V43.22	Organ or tissue replaced by other means, Fully implantable artificial heart	Ý	5	144, 145
V45.85	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,			467

TABLE 6A.—NEW DIAGNOSIS CODES—Continued

Diagnosis code	Description	СС	MDC	DRG
V53.90	Fitting and adjustment, Unspecified device	N	23	467
V53.91			23	467
V53.99		N	23	467
V54.01	Encounter for removal of internal fixation device	N	8	249
V54.02	Encounter for lengthening/adjustment of growth rod	N	8	249
V54.09	Other aftercare involving internal fixation device	N	8	249
V58.63	Long-term (current) use of antiplatelet/antithrombotic		23	465, 466
V58.64	Long-term (current) use of nonsteriodal anti-inflammatories	N	23	465, 466
V58.65	Long-term (current) use of steroids		23	465, 466
V64.41	Laparoscopic surgical procedure coverted to open procedure	N	23	467
V64.42			23	467
V64.43	Arthroscopic surgical procedure converted to open procedure	N	23	467
V65.11	Pediatric pre-birth visit for expectant mother		23	467
V65.19	Other person consulting on behalf of another person	N	23	467
V65.46	Encounter for insulin pump training		23	467

TABLE 6B.—NEW PROCEDURE CODES

Procedure Code	Description	OR	MDC	DRG
00.15	High-dose infusion interleukin-2 (IL-2)	N*	17	492
37.51	Heart transplantation	Υ	PRE	103
37.52	Implantation of total replacement heart system	Υ	5	525
37.53	Replacement or repair of thoracic unit of total replacement heart system	Υ	5	525
37.54	Replacement or repair of other implantable component of total replacement heart system.	Y	5	525
68.31	Laparoscopic supracervical hysterectomy (LSH)	Y	13	354, 355,357, 358, 359
			14	375
68.39	Other subtotal abdominal hysterectomy, NOS	Y	13	354, 355, 357, 358, 359
			14	375
81.62	Fusion or refusion of 2–3 vertebrae	¹ N		
81.63	Fusion or refusion of 4–8 vertebrae	¹ N		
81.64	Fusion or refusion of 9 or more vertebrae	¹ N		

TABLE 6C.—INVALID DIAGNOSIS CODES

Diagnosis code	Description	СС	MDC	DRG
255.1	Hyperaldosteronism	N	10	300, 301
277.8	Other specified disorders of metabolism	N	10	299
282.4		Υ	15	¹ 1381, ¹ 389
			16	395, 396
289.8	Other specified diseases of blood and blood-forming organs	N	16	398, 399
331.1	Pick's disease	N	1	12
348.3	Encephalopathy, unspecified	N	1	16, 17
			25	² 489
358.0	Myasthenia gravis	Υ	1	12
458.2		N	5	141, 142
530.2		N	6	176
600.0	Hypertrophy (benign) of prostate	N	12	348, 349
600.1	Nodular prostate	N	12	348, 349
600.2		N	12	348, 349
600.9		N	12	348, 349
719.70		N	8	247
719.75		N	8	247
719.76		N	8	247
719.77	Difficulty in walking, ankle and foot	N	8	247
719.78		N	8	247
719.79		N	8	247
752.8		N	12	352
			13	358, 359, 369

¹ Classified as a Major Problem. ² Classified as a Major Related Condition.

^{*}Nonoperating room procedure, but affects DRG.

¹Nonoperating room procedure code. The DRG assignment is made based on the specific fusion or refusion (81.00–81.08, 81.30–81.39, 81.61).

TABLE 6C.—INVALID DIAGNOSIS CODES—Continued

Diagnosis code	Description	СС	MDC	DRG
766.2	Post term infant, not "heavy for dates"	N	15	391
767.1	Injuries to scalp	N	15	391
790.2	Abnormal glucose tolerance test	N	10	296, 297, 298
799.8	Other ill-defined conditions	N	23	467
850.1	Concussion, with brief loss of consciousness	Υ	1	31, 32, 33
			24	487
959.1	Injury, trunk	N	21	444, 445, 446
			24	487
V04.8	Need for prophylactic vaccination and inoculation against certain viral disease, Influenza.	N	23	467
V43.2	Organ or tissue replaced by other means, Heart	Υ	5	144, 145
V53.9	Fitting and adjustment of other device, Other and unspecified device	N	23	467
V54.0	Aftercare involving removal of fracture plate or other internal fixation device	N	8	249
V64.4	Laparoscopic surgical procedure converted to open procedure	N	23	467
V65.1	Person consulting on behalf of another person	N	23	467

TABLE 6D.—INVALID PROCEDURE CODES

Procedure code	Description	OR	MDC	DRG
	Heart transplantation	Y Y		103 354, 355, 357, 358, 359 375

TABLE 6E.—REVISED DIAGNOSIS CODE TITLES

Diagnosis code	Description	СС	MDC	DRG
282.60	Sickle-cell disease, unspecified	Υ	16	395, 396
282.61	Hb-SS disease without crisis	Υ	16	395, 396
282.62	Hb-SS disease with crisis	Υ	16	395, 396
282.63	Sickle-cell/Hb-C disease without crisis	Υ	16	395, 396
282.69	Other sickle-cell disease with crisis	Υ	16	395, 396
414.06	Of native coronary artery of transplanted heart	N	5	132, 133
491.20	Obstructive chronic bronchitis, without exacerbation	Υ	4	88
491.21	Obstructive chronic bronchitis, with (acute) exacerbation	Υ	4	88
493.00	Extrinsic asthma, unspecified	N	4	96, 97, 98
493.02		Υ	4	96, 97, 98
493.10	Intrinsic asthma, unspecified	N	4	96, 97, 98
493.12	Intrinsic asthma, with (acute) exacerbation	Υ	4	96, 97, 98
493.20	Chronic obstructive asthma, unspecified	Υ	4	88
493.22	Chronic obstructive asthma, with (acute) exacerbation	Υ	4	88
493.90		N	4	96, 97, 98
493.92		Υ	4	96, 97, 98
V06.1	Diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis, combined [DTP] [DtaP]	N	23	467
V06.5	Tetanus-diphtheria [Td][DT]	N	23	467

TABLE 6F.—REVISED PROCEDURE CODE TITLES

Procedure code	Description	OR	MDC	DRG
37.34 E	Excision or destruction of other lesion or tissue of heart, open approach Excision or destruction of other lesion or tissue of heart, other approach Other endovascular repair (of aneurysm) of other vessels		5 5 1 5 11 21 24	108 516, 517, 518 1, 2, 3 110, 111 315 442, 443 486

Classified as a "Major Problem."Classified as a "Major Related Condition."

TABLE 6G.—ADDITIONS TO THE CC EXCLUSIONS LIST

*25060	*2800	28242	2848	28262	28249	28268	2860
35800	28241	28249	2849	28263	28264	*28522	2861
35801	28242	28264	2850	28264	28268	28241	2862
*25061	28249	28268	2851	28268	*28310	28242	2863
35800	28264	*2821	*28249	28269	28241	28249	2864
35801	28268	28241	2800	2830	28242	28264	2865
*25062	*2801	28242	2814	28310	28249	28268	2866
35800	28241	28249	2818	28311	28264	*28529	2867
35801	28242	28264	28241	28319	28268	28241	2869
*25063	28249	28268	28242	2832	*28311	28242	2870
35800	28264	*2822	28249	2839	28241	28249	2871
35801	28268	28241	28260	2840	28242	28264	2872
*25080	*2808	28242	28261	2848	28249	28268	2873
35800	28241	28249	28262	2849	28264	*2858	2874
35801	28242	28264	28263	2850	28268	28241	2875
*25081	28249	28268	28264	2851	*28319	28242	2878
35800	28264	*2823	28268	*28268	28241	28249	2879
35801	28268	28241	28269	2800	28242	28264	2880
		28242					
*25082	*2809		2830	2814	28249	28268	2881
35800	28241	28249	28310	2818	28264	*2859	28981
35801	28242	28264	28311	28241	28268	28241	28982
*25083	28249	28268	28319	28242	*2832	28242	*28982
35800	28264	*28241	2832	28249	28241	28249	2800
35801	28268	2800	2839	28260	28242	28264	2814
*25090	*2810	2814	2840	28261	28249	28268	2818
35800	28241	2818	2848	28262	28264	*2880	28241
35801	28242	28241	2849	28263	28268	28981	28242
*25091	28249	28242	2850	28264	*2839	28982	28249
35800	28264	28249	2851	28268	28241	*2881	28260
35801	28268	28260	*2825	28269	28242	28981	28261
*25092	*2811	28261	28241	2830	28249	28982	28262
35800	28241	28262	28242	28310	28264	*2882	28263
35801	28242	28263	28249	28311	28268	28981	28264
*25093	28249	28264	28264	28319	*2840	28982	28268
35800	28264	28268	28268	2832	28241	*2883	28269
35801	28268	28269	*28260	2839	28242	28981	2830
*2515	*2812	2830	28241	2840	28249	28982	28310
53021	28241	28310	28242	2848	28264	*2888	28311
*25510	28242	28311	28249	2849	28268	28981	28319
2550	28249	28319	28264	2850	*2848	28982	2832
2580	28264	2832	28268	2851	28241	*2889	2839
2581	28268	2839	*28261	*28269	28242	28981	2840
2588	*2813	2840	28241	28241	28249	28982	2848
2589	28241	2848	28242	28242	28264	*28981	2849
	28242	2849	28249	28249	28268	2800	2850
*25511							
2550	28249	2850	28264	28264	*2849	2814	2851
2580	28264	2851	28268	28268	28241	2818	2860
2581	28268	*28242	*28262	*2827	28242	28241	2861
2588	*2814	2800	28241	28241	28249	28242	2862
2589	28241	2814	28242	28242	28264	28249	2863
					28268		2864
*25512	28242	2818	28249	28249		28260	
2550	28249	28241	28264	28264	*2850	28261	2865
2580	28264	28242	28268	28268	28241	28262	2866
2581	28268	28249	*28263	*2828	28242	28263	2867
2588	*2818	28260	28241	28241	28249	28264	2869
2589	28241	28261	28242	28242	28264	28268	2870
*25513	28242	28262	28249	28249	28268	28269	2871
2550	28249	28263	28264	28264	*2851	2830	2872
2580	28264	28264	28268	28268	28241	28310	2873
2581	28268	28268	*28264	*2829	28242	28311	2874
2588	*2819	28269	2800	28241	28249	28319	2875
2589	28241	2830	2814	28242	28264	2832	
							2878
*25514	28242	28310	2818	28249	28268	2839	2879
2550	28249	28311	28241	28264	*28521	2840	2880
2580	28264	28319	28242	28268	28241	2848	2881
2581	28268	2832	28249	*2830	28242	2849	28981
2588	*2820	2839	28260	28241	28249	2850	28982
2589	28241	2840	28261	28242	28264	2851	*28989
2800	35801	53201	53121	5789	53531	53021	*53451
2814	3581	53210	53131	*5307	53541	*53251	53021
2818	*3581	53211	53140	53021	53551	53021	*53460
28241	35800	53220	53141	*53082	53561	*53260	53021
20271	33000	33220	55171	33302	55001	30200	30021

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28242	35801	53221	53150	53021	53783	53021	*53461
28249	*4560	53231	53151	*53085	53784	*53261	53021
28260	53021	53240	53160	4560	56202	53021	*53470
28261	*49381	53241	53161	53021	56203	*53270	53021
28262	49301	53250	53171	5307	56212	53021	*53471
28263	49302	53251	53191	53082	56213	*53271	53021
28264	49311	53260	53200	53100	5693	53021	*53490
28268	49312	53261	53201	53101	56985	*53290	53021
28269	49320	53271	53210	53110	56986	53021	*53491
						*53291	
2830	49321	53291	53211	53111	5780		53021
28310	49322	53300	53220	53120	5781	53021	*53501
28311	49391	53301	53221	53121	5789	*53300	53021
28319	49392	53310	53231	53131	*53100	53021	*53511
2832	*49382	53311	53240	53140	53021	*53301	53021
2839	49301	53320	53241	53141	*53101	53021	*53521
2840	49302	53321	53250	53150	53021	*53310	53021
2848	49311	53331	53251	53151	*53110	53021	*53531
2849	49312	53340	53260	53160	53021	*53311	53021
2850	49320	53341	53261	53161	*53111	53021	*53541
2851	49321	53350	53271	53171	53021	*53320	53021
2860	49322	53351	53291	53191	*53120	53021	*53551
2861	49391	53360	53300	53200	53021	*53321	53021
2862	49392	53361	53301	53201	*53121	53021	*53561
2863	*5173	53371	53310	53210	53021	*53330	53021
	2800	53391	53311	53211	*53130	53021	*53783
2864							
2865	2814	53400	53320	53220	53021	*53331	53021
2866	2818	53401	53321	53221	*53131	53021	*53789
2867	28241	53410	53331	53231	53021	*53340	53021
2869	28242	53411	53340	53240	*53140	53021	*5379
2870	28249	53420	53341	53241	53021	*53341	53021
2871	28260	53421	53350	53250	*53141	53021	*56202
2872	28261	53431	53351	53251	53021	*53350	53021
2873	28262	53440	53360	53260	*53150	53021	*56203
2874	28263	53441	53361	53261	53021	*53351	53021
2875	28264	53450	53371	53271	*53151	53021	*56212
2878	28268	53451	53391	53291	53021	*53360	53021
2879	28269	53460	53400	53300	*53160	53021	*56213
2880	2830	53461	53401	53301	53021	*53361	53021
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80409	8500	85181	85312	80053	80144	80302	80393
80410	85011	85182	85313	80054	80145	80303	80394

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80411	85012	85183	85314	80055	80146	80304	80395
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80432	85113	85204	85415	85011	85012	*85183	85011
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	85123	85214	85012	*85125	85011	85012	*85216
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80469	85150	85241	85012	*85134	85011	85012	*85226
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85012	*85304	85011	8059	9522	8065	80610	80505
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85011	85012	*85415	80601	9524	80661	80612	80507
85012						80613	80508
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85012		85011	80608	80503	8068	80619	80515
*85239	85011	85012	80609	80504	8069	80620	80516
85011	85012	*8738	80610	80505	95200	80621	80517
85012	*85310	85011 85012	80611	80506	95201	80622	80518
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85011	85012	*8798	80616	80512	95206	80627	8056
85012	*85312	85011	80617	80513	95207	80628	8057
*85242	85011	85012	80618	80514	95208	80629	8058
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85012	*85313	85011	80620	80516	95210	80631	80600
*85243	85011	85012 *0050	80621	80517	95211	80632	80601
85011	85012	*9050	80622	80518	95212	80633	80602
85012	*85314	85011	80623	8052	95213	80634	80603
*85244	85011	85012 *0054	80624	8053	95214	80635	80604
85011	85012 *05245	*9251	80625	8054	95215	80636	80605
85012 *05245	*85315	85011	80626	8055	95216	80637	80606
*85245	85011	85012	80627	8056	95217	80638	80607
85011	85012	*9252	80628	8057	95218	80639	80608
85012	*85316	85011	80629	8058	95219	8064	80609
*85246	85011	85012	80630	8059	9522	8065	80610
85011	85012	*9290	80631	80600	9523	80660	80611
85012 *85340	*85319	85011 85012	80632	80601	9524	80661	80612
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85012	*85403	85011	80662	80613	80508	95202	80624
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85012	*85404	80500	80671	80616	80512	95206	80627
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85012	*85409	80508 80510	95203 95204	80625	8054	95214 95215	80636
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*85301	85011 85012	80517 80518	95211	80632	80601	9524	80661 80662
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5012 *85303	*85412 85011	8052 8053	95213 95214	80634 80635	80603	9529 *05014	80669 80670
*85302 85011	85011 85012	8053 8054	95214 95215	80635 80636	80604 80605	*95914	80670 80671
00011	00012	0004	90210	80636	80605	80500	000 <i>1</i> l

and the	revisions to the CC	Exclusions List a	ire provided in an in	dented column imr	mediately following	the affected princ	ipal diagnosis.]
85012	*85413	8055	95216	80637	80606	80501	80672
*85303	85011	8056	95217	80638	80607	80502	80679
85011	85012	8057	95218	80639	80608	80503	8068
8069	80620	*99609	*99671				
95200	80621	99657	99657				
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95204	80625	99657	99657				
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95206	80627	99657	99657				
95207	80628	*99639	*99675				
95208	80629	99657	99657				
95209	80630	*9964	*99676				
95210	80631	99657	99657				
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95215	80636	*99653	*99679				
95216	80637	99657	99657				
95217	80638	*99654	*99680				
95218	80639	99657	V4321				
95219	8064	*99655	V4322				
9522	8065	99657	*99683				
9523	80660	*99656	V4321				
9524	80661	99657	V4322				
9528	80662	*99657	*99687				
9529	80669	99655	V4321				
*95919	80670	99656	V4322				
80500	80671	99657	*99791				
80501	80672	99659	99657				
80502	80679	99660	*99799				
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80513	95207	99670	*V421				
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8059	9522	99657					
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80604	*9598	*99663					
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80612	*99601	*99667					
80613	99657	99657					
80614	*99602	*99668					
80615	99657	99657					

[CCs that are added to the list are in Table 6G-Additions to the CC Exclusions List. Each of the principal diagnoses is shown with an asterisk, and the revisions to the CC Exclusions List are provided in an indented column immediately following the affected principal diagnosis.]

80616	*99603	*99669
80617	99657	99657
80618	*99604	*99670
80619	99657	99657

TABLE 6H.—DELETIONS FROM THE CC EXCLUSIONS LIST

	28263	28260	53201	6013	71169	6960	8501
3580	28269	28261	53210	6021	7141	71100	*80005
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25062	28311	28269	53221	*6001	71431	71103	8501
3580	28319	2830	53231	5960	71432	71104	*80009
25063	2832	28310	53240	5996	71433	71105	8501
3580	2839	28311	53241	6010	*71976	71106	*80010
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25081	2849	2839	53260	6021	71106	71109	8501
3580	2850	2840	53261	78820	71108	71160	*80012
5082	2851	2848	53271	78829	71109	71161	8501
3580	*2825	2849	53291	*6002	71160	71162	*80013
25083	2824	2850	53300	5960	71166	71163	8501
3580	*28260	2851	53301	5996	71168	71164	*80014
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3580	*28261	2861	53311	6012	7141	71166	*80015
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25092	2824	2864	53331	78820	71431	71169	8501
3580	*28263	2865	53340	78829	71432	7141	*80019
25093	2824	2866	53341	*6009	71433	7142	8501
3580	*28269	2867	53350	5960	*71977	71430	*80020
2551	2824	2869	53351	5996	6960	71431	8501
2550	*2827	2870	53360	6010	71100	71432	*80021
2580	2824	2871	53361	6012	71107	71433	8501
2581	*2828	2872	53371	6013	71108	*7528	*80022
2588	2824	2873	53391	6021	71109	5970	8501
2589	*2829	2874	53400	78820	71160	5994	*80023
2800	2824	2875	53401	78829	71167	6140	8501
2824	*2830	2878	53410	*71970	71168	6143	*80024
2801	2824	2879	53411	6960	71169	6145	8501
2824	*28310	2880	53420	71100	7141	6150	*80025
2808	2824	2881	53421	71101	7142	6163	8501
2824	*28311	*2899	53431	71101	71430	6164	*80026
2809	2824	2824	53440	71103	71431	6207	8501
2824	*28319	*3483	53441	71104	71432	*7998	*80029
810	2824	34982	53450	71105	71433	04082	8501
2824	*2832	*34989	53451	71106	*71978	44024	*80030
811	2824	3580	53460	71107	6960	78001	8501
2824	*2839	*3499	53461	71108	71100	78003	*80031
2812	2824	3580	53471	71109	71101	7801	8501
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819	2824	5307	53561	71167	71109	7863	8501
2824	*2851	53082	53783	71168	71160	78820	*80036
820	2824	53100	53784	71169	71161	78829	8501
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	2824	53140 53141	5780	6960	71166 71169	8501	8501
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*80053	8501	*80144	8501	*80335	8501	*80426	8501
8501	*80100	8501	*80191	8501	*80382	8501	*80473
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*80056	8501	*80149	8501	*80340	8501	*80431	8501
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*80061	8501	*80152	8501	*80343	8501	*80434	8501
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8501	*85212	8501	*9050	80630			
*85166	8501	*85300	8501 *0054	80631			
8501	*85213	8501	*9251	80632			
*85169	8501	*85301	8501	80633			
8501	*85214	8501	*9252	80634			
*85170	8501	*85302	8501	80635			
8501	*85215	8501	*9290	80636			
*85171	8501	*85303	8501	80637			
8501	*85216	8501	*9299	80638			
*85172	8501	*85304	8501	80639			
8501	*85219	8501	*9588	8064			
*85173	8501	*85305	8501	8065			
8501	*85221	8501	*95901	80660			
*85174	8501	*85306	8501	80661			
8501	*85222	8501	*95909	80662			
*85175	8501	*85309	8501	80669			
8501	*85223	8501	*9591	80670			
*85176	8501	*85310	80500	80671			
8501	*85224	8501	80501	80672			
*85179	8501	*85311	80502	80679			
8501	*85225	8501	80503	8068			
*85180	8501	*85312	80504	8069			
8501	*85226	8501	80505	95200			
*85181	8501	*85313	80506	95200			
8501 *85483	*85229	8501 *85344	80507	95202			
*85182	8501	*85314	80508	95203			
8501	*85230	8501	80510	95204			
*85183	8501	*85315	80511	95205			

8501	*85231	8501	80512	95206	
*85184	8501	*85316	80513	95207	
8501	*85232	8501	80514	95208	
*85185	8501	*85319	80515	95209	
8501	*85233	8501	80516	95210	
*85186	8501	*85400	80517	95211	
8501	*85234	8501	80518	95212	
*85189	8501	*85401	8052	95213	
8501	*85235	8501	8053	95214	

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	DRG	Number of discharges	Arithmetic mean length of stay	10th Percentile	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile	90th Percentile
1		29,262	10.8505	3	5	8	14	22
2		14,769	5.0718	1	2	4	7	10
3		3	6.0000	1	1	4	13	13
		6,712	7.3524	1	2	5	9	16
5		95,618	2.9596	1	1	2	3	7
		356	3.0197	1	1	2	4	7
		14.683	9.8438	2	4	7	12	20
-		4,106	2.8015	1	i i i	1	3	7
		1,711	6.2402	1	3	5	8	12
10		18,655	6.3850	2	3	5	8	13
11		3,291	4.0413	1	2	3	5	8
12		52,512	5.7513	2	3	4	7	11
13		7,068	5.0035	2	3	4	6	9
14		237,027	5.9456	2	3	5	7	11
15		94,223	4.8529	2	3	4	6	9
16		9,938	6.3106	2	3	5	8	12
17		2,744	3.2172	1	2	2	4	6
18		29,701	5.4868	2	3	4	7	10
19		8,519	3.5184	1	2	3	5	7
20		6,207	10.1927	3	5	8	13	20
21	I	1,885	6.5963	2	3	5	9	13
		2,785	5.1178	2	2	4	6	10
23		12,583	4.1677	1	2	3	5	8
24		59,102	4.8803	1	2	4	6	10
25		27,433	3.1776	1	2	3	4	6
		18	4.2778	1	1	2	3	4
26			5.1719	1		3	7	=
28		4,398 13,919	6.0265	1	3	5	8	11 12
29		5,282	3.4924	1	2	3	5	7
30		2,202	6.5000	1	2	11	11	11
		3,897	4.0429	4	2	3	5	8
32		1,895	2.4776	1	1	2	3	5
-		23,811	4.9368	1	2	4	6	9
34 35		,		1	1	3	0	6
		7,451	3.1094	1		3	4	2
36		2,117	1.5328	1		2		8
37		1,382	3.7685	1		2	5	o 5
38		,97	2.8041	1		1	4	5
39		559	2.1163	1	1 1	1	2	4
40		1,549	3.8070	1	1	3	5	7
42		1,581	2.7381	1	1	1	3	6
		94	3.3936	1	1 1	3	4	6
44		1,227	4.9935	2	3	4	6	9
45		2,668	3.1267	1	2	3	4	6
46		3,482	4.4730	1	2	3	6	8
		1,402	3.0927	1	1 1	2	4	6
49		2,391	4.4676	1	2	3	6	9
		2,429	1.8506	1	1	1	2	3
-		243	2.8354	1	1	1	3	8
		223	1.8161	1	1	1	2	3
		2,478	3.6186	1	1	2	4	8
		1,481	2.9338	1	1	1	3	7
		469	2.8955	1	1	1	3	6
		711	3.6709	1	1	2	4	8
58		1	2.0000	2	2	2	2	2

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DRG	Number of discharges	Arithmetic mean length of stay	10th Percentile	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile	90th Percentile
59	116	2.6724	1	1	1	3	6
60	1	3.0000	3	3	3	3	3
61	254	5.1535	1	1	3	7	11
62	2 000	7.0000	1	1	13	13 5	13 9
63 64	3,000 3,126	4.3860 6.4997	1	2 2	3 4	5 8	14
65	40,407	2.8127	1	1	2	4	5
66	7,841	3.0778	1	i i	2	4	6
67	385	3.6442	1	2	3	5	7
68	11,658	3.8813	1	2	3	5	7
69	3,769	3.0186	1	2	3	4	5
70	30	2.3333	1	1	2	3	4
71	80	3.4000	1	1	2	4	6
72	964	3.4035	1	1	3	4	6 9
73 75	7,697 43,504	4.4433 9.9907	3	2 5	3 7	6 12	20
76	44,508	11.1024	3	5	9	14	21
77	2,458	4.8031	1	2	4	7	10
78	39,504	6.5709	3	4	6	8	11
79	169,239	8.4557	3	4	7	11	16
80	8,077	5.3480	2	3	4	7	10
81	5	4.4000	1	1	3	8	8
82	64,299	6.8753	2	3	5	9	14
83	6,665	5.3655	2	3	4	7	10
84	1,575 22,398	3.2565 6.2473	1 2	2 3	3 5	4 8	6 12
85 86	2,250	3.5364	1	2	3	4	7
87	61.129	6.3127	1	3	5	8	12
88	404,045	5.0463	2	3	4	6	9
89	535,162	5.8340	2	3	5	7	11
90	48,843	3.9563	2	2	3	5	7
91	45	5.0444	1	2	3	5	13
92	15,809	6.2907	2	3	5	8	12
93	1,778	4.0079	1	2	3	5	7
94	12,813 1,655	6.2387 3.8127	2	3	5	8 5	12 7
95 96	56,893	4.5613	2	2 2	3	6	8
97	28,776	3.5275	1	2	3	4	6
98	20,770	3.6667	1	1	2	2	5
99	21,400	3.1554	1	1	2	4	6
100	8,324	2.1371	1	1	2	3	4
101	22,329	4.3853	1	2	3	6	9
102	5,644	2.6487	1	1	2	3	5
103	484	42.1240	9	12	23	53	92
104	20,637	14.3306	6	8	12	17	25 18
105 106	29,223 3,498	9.8741 11.4019	5	6 7	8 10	11	20
107	83,307	10.4339	5	7	9	12	17
108	6,508	9.7617	2	5	8	12	18
109	57,450	7.7160	4	5	6	9	13
110	54,835	8.7534	2	4	7	11	17
111	9,568	4.0565	1	2	4	6	7
113	39,734	12.4805	4	6	9	15	24
114	8,315	8.6592	2	4	7	11	17
115	19,805	7.4228	1	3	6	10	15
116	116,294	4.3974	1	2	3	6	9
117	4,731	4.3075	1	1	2	5 4	10 7
118	8,299 1,237	2.8976 5.2967	1	1 1	1 3	7	13
120	38,109	9.0051	1	3	6	12	20
121	164,425	6.2836	2	3	5	8	12
122	77,231	3.5159	1	2	3	5	7
123	38,627	4.7915	1	1	3	6	11
124	135,291	4.3838	1	2	3	6	9
125	91,946	2.7616	1	1	2	4	5
126	5,395	11.5218	3	6	9	15	22
127	676,101	5.2357	2	3	4	7	10
128	7,187	5.4446	2	3	5	7	9
129	3,853	2.5951	1	1	1	3	6

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DRG	Number of discharges	Arithmetic mean length of stay	10th Percentile	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile	90th Percentile
130	88,911	5.5991	2	3	5	7	10
131	27,124	4.0330	1	2	4	5	7
132	142,443	2.8904	1	1	2	4	5
133	8,694	2.2843	1	1	2 2	3 4	4 6
134 135	41,542 7,810	3.1609 4.4540	1	2 2	3	5	8
136	1	2.6641	1	1	2	3	5
138		3.9930	i	2	3	5	8
139	,	2.4733	1	1	2	3	5
140		2.5252	1	1	2	3	5
141	108,834	3.5704	1	2	3	4	7
142		2.5530	1	1	2	3	5
143	250,177	2.0911	1	1	2	3	4
144	94,588	5.5436	1	2	4	7	11
145	7,370	2.5700	1	1	2	3	5
146 147	10,785 2,644	10.2338 6.2266	5 3	6 5	8	12 8	17 9
148	134,125	12.2751	5 5	7	10	15	22
149	20,205	6.3062	4	5	6	7	9
150	21,184	11.3235	4	6	9	14	20
151	5,140	5.5586	2	3	5	7	10
152	4,578	8.3724	3	5	7	10	15
153	2,058	5.2546	3	4	5	7	8
154	28,368	13.2140	3	7	10	17	26
155	6,618	4.0801	1	2	3	6	8
156	4	2.5000	1	1	1	3	.5
157	8,301	5.7459	1	2	4	7	12
158	4,362	2.6016	1	1	2	3	5
159	18,136	5.1194	1	2	4	7	10
160	12,203	2.6826	1	1 2	2	3 6	5 9
161 162	10,803 6,421	4.3270 1.9305	1	1	3	2	9
163	8	3.2500	1		2	3	6
164		8.3580	3	5	7	10	15
165		4.4882	2	3	4	6	7
166	1	4.7263	1	2	4	6	9
167	4,091	2.4133	1	1	2	3	4
168	1,425	4.8386	1	2	3	6	10
169		2.4005	1	1	2	3	5
170		10.8241	2	4	8	14	22
171	,	4.3333	1	2	4	6	9
172 173	31,435 2,482	6.9669 3.7808	2	3 2	5	9 5	14 8
174	252,303	4.7834	2	3	4	6	9
175	34,977	2.9157	1	2	3	4	5
176	13,498	5.2318	2	3	4	6	10
177	9,080	4.5719	2	3	4	6	8
178	3,382	3.1227	1	2	3	4	6
179		5.9431	2	3	5	7	11
180		5.4251	2	3	4	7	10
181		3.3710	1	2	3	4	6
182		4.4204	1	2	3	5	8
183	,	2.8962	1	1	2	4	5
184		3.2319	1	1	2	4	6
185	-,	4.6680	1	2	3	6	10
186		6.6667	2	3	3	10	10
187 188		4.0307 5.5620	1	2 2	3 4	6 7	8 11
189		3.1005	1	1	2	4	6
190		5.1733	1	2	4	6	11
191		13.7975	3	6	10	17	28
192		6.2201	1	3	6	8	11
193		12.7242	5	7	10	16	23
194		6.7323	2	4	6	8	12
195		10.5175	4	6	9	13	19
196		5.6092	2	3	5	7	10
197		9.1566	3	5	7	11	17
198	5,418	4.4118	2	3	4	6	7
199	1,636	9.7353	2	4	7	13	21

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	DRG	Number of discharges	Arithmetic mean length of stay	10th Percentile	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile	90th Percentile
		1,076	10.4898	2	3	7	14	23
		2,130	14.1469	3	6	11	18	29
		26,756 30,055	6.3872 6.6816	2 2	3 3	5 5	8 9	13 13
		65,585	5.7470	2	3	4	7	11
		27,481	6.1736	2	3	5	8	12
		2,057	3.7832	1	2	3	5	8
		32,881	5.1924	1	2	4	7	10
208 .		10,188	2.8924	1	1	2	4	5
		399,893	4.8600	3	3	4	5	7
		122,843	6.8859	3	4	6	8	11
		30,096	4.8394	3	4	4 4	6 5	7 7
		9 9,950	7.0000 9.2035	2	1 4	7	12	18
		8,770	7.9789	1	2	6	11	17
		17,292	13.3846	3	5	9	16	28
		23,796	5.5121	2	3	4	7	10
219 .		19,891	3.1961	1	2	3	4	6
220 .		1	1.0000	1	1	1	1	1
		13,308	3.0326	1	1	2	4	6
		11,738	1.9052	1	1	1	2	3
		6,481	5.2626	1	2	4	7	11
		5,874 4,854	6.5259 2.6360	1	2	4 2	8 3	14 5
		2,534	4.1492	1	1	3	5	9
		1,263	2.3286	1		2	3	5
		2,456	5.5668	1	2	3	7	12
		13,312	5.0159	1	1	3	6	11
232 .		816	2.7132	1	1	1	2	6
233 .		9,940	7.3671	1	3	6	10	15
		5,364	3.0626	1	1	2	4	7
		5,107	4.8659	1	2	4	6	9
		40,182	4.6505	1	3	4	6	8 7
		1,782 8,956	3.6599 8.6382	3	2 4	3 7	5 10	17
		46,252	6.2694	2	3	5	8	12
		12,062	6.6231	2	3	5	8	13
		3,173	3.7690	1	2	3	5	7
242 .		2,597	6.8814	2	3	5	9	14
		96,552	4.6506	1	2	4	6	9
		14,695	4.6521	1	2	4	6	9
		5,861	3.2950	1	2	3	4	6 7
		1,498 20,507	3.7216 3.3340	1	2	3	5 4	7
		13,931	4.9200	1	3	4	6	9
0.40		12,932	3.6170	1	1	2	4	7
		3,802	4.1302	1	2	3	5	8
251 .		2,375	2.7651	1	1	3	3	5
		22,095	4.6939	2	3	4	6	8
		10,763	3.1601	1	2	3	4	5
		6,698	5.1020	1	2	4	6	10
		15,758 15,217	2.6395	1	1	2 2	3 2	5 3
		15,317 3,517	1.8212 2.6747	1		1	3	6
		4,236	1.3973	1			1	2
		1,776	2.0884	1	i i	i i i	2	4
-		668	4.3204	1	i i	3	6	9
263 .		23,192	11.4687	3	5	8	14	22
264 .		3,869	6.5585	2	3	5	8	13
		4,103	6.6074	1	2	4	8	14
		2,555	3.2337	1	1	2	4	7
		241	4.4606	1	1	3	6	10
		920	3.7978	1	1	2	4	8
		9,852	8.5323	2	3	7	11	17
		2,798	3.5615 7.2481	1 2	1	2	5 9	7 14
		19,436 5,752	6.0176	2	4 3	5	7	12
		1,343	3.9598	1	2	3	5	8
		2,305	6.4586	1	3	5	8	13

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DRG	Number of discharges	Arithmetic mean length of stay	10th Percentile	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile	90th Percentile
275	230	3.6217	1	1	2	4	7
276	1,327	4.4574	1	2	4	6	8
277	100,811	5.7271	2	3	5	7	10
278	32,531	4.1962	2	2	4	5	7
279 280	10 17,882	5.3000 4.1159	2	2 2	3	7 5	7 8
280 281	7,536	2.8879	1	1	2	4	5
283	6,093	4.6606	1	2	4	6	9
284	2,029	2.9359	1	1	2	4	6
285	6,962	10.5315	3	5	8	13	20
286	2,502	5.8981	2	3	4	7	12
287	6,287	10.2537	3	5	8	13	20
288	5,524	4.9716	2	3	4	5	8
289	6,938	2.7257	1	1	1	2	6
290	9,964	2.1995	1	1	1	2	4
291	58	1.6379	1	1	1	2	3
292	6,534	10.4645	2	4	8	14 6	21 9
293 294	364 98,755	4.7033 4.5121	1	2	3	6	9
294 295	3,550	3.9721	1	2	3	5	7
296	280,547	5.0716		2	4	6	10
297	48,715	3.2855	i i	2	3	4	6
298	111	3.1802	1	1	2	4	7
299	1,276	5.4412	1	2	4	7	11
300	18,798	6.1364	2	3	5	8	12
301	3,636	3.5954	1	2	3	4	7
302	8,722	8.5255	4	5	6	9	15
303	21,880	8.0372	3	4	6	9	15
304	12,572	8.8705	2	4	6	11	18
305	3,047	3.5510	1	2	3	4	7
306	7,077	5.3740	1	2	3	7	12
307	2,035 7,299	2.0708 6.2077	1	1 2	2	2 8	3 14
308	4,183	2.0995	1	4	4	2	4
310	24,884	4.3725	1		3	6	10
311	7,495	1.8220	1	i i	1	2	3
312	1,524	4.5623	1	1	3	6	10
313	555	2.2559	1	1	1	3	5
314	2	40.5000	1	1	80	80	80
315	34,134	6.9586	1	1	4	9	16
316	119,645	6.5348	2	3	5	8	13
317	2,018	3.6051	1	1	2	4	7
318	5,782	6.0930	1	3	5	8	12
319	412 188,165	2.9320 5.2818	2	1 3	2 4	4 6	6 10
004	31,355	3.7221	1	2	3	5	7
322	50	3.2200	1	2	3	4	5
323	19,957	3.1681	1	1	2	4	6
324	7,040	1.9006	1	1	1	2	4
325	9,310	3.8056	1	2	3	5	7
326	2,732	2.6190	1	1	2	3	5
327	7	2.5714	1	1	2	3	4
328	742	3.7251	1	1	3	5	8
329	94	2.0851	1	1	1	3	5
331	51,439	5.5878	1	3	4	7	11
332	5,006	3.1596	1	1	2	4	6
333	255	5.7843	1	2	3	7	11
334 335	10,536	4.5813	2 2	3 2	3	5 4	8
335 336	12,727 35,950	3.0264 3.3945	1	2 2	2	4 4	5 7
337	29,532	2.0157	1	1	2	2	3
338	940	5.4851	1	2	3	7	13
339	1,481	4.7968	1	1	3	6	11
340	1	2.0000	2	2	2	2	2
341	3,580	3.2031	1	1	2	3	7
342	693	3.1977	1	1	2	4	7
344	3,580	2.5232	1	1	1	2	5
345	1,370	4.9051	1	1	3	6	11
346	4,890	5.8937	2	3	5	8	12

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DRG		Number of discharges	Arithmetic mean length of stay	10th Percentile	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile	90th Percentile
347		315	3.0762	1	1	2	4	7
348		3,401	4.3355	1	2	3	5	8
349		616	2.5049 4.4884	1 2	1 2	2 4	3 6	5 8
350 352	I	6,748 960	3.9740	1	2	3	5	7
353	I	2,600	6.4942	2	3	5	7	12
354		7,444	5.7016	3	3	4	6	10
355		5,590	3.1971	2	2	3	4	5
356		25,990	2.0785	1	1	2	3	3
357 358		5,663 21,660	8.3744 4.1750	3 2	4 2	6 3	10 5	16 7
359		32,036	2.5609	1	2	2	3	4
360		15,871	2.7521	i	1	2	3	4
361	I	346	3.2052	1	1	2	3	8
362		5	1.4000	1	1	1	2	2
363		2,527	3.6312	1	2	2	4	8
364	I	1,637	4.1307	1	1	3	5	8
365		1,843	8.1872 6.6619	1	3 3	5 5	10 8	17 14
366 367		4,581 487	3.0678	1	1	2	8 4	7
368		3,572	6.6551	2	3	5	8	13
369	1	3,482	3.3090	1	1	2	4	7
370		1,350	5.7911	2	3	4	5	9
371	I	1,691	3.4826	2	3	3	4	5
372	I	947	3.4805	2	2	2	3	5
373 374		4,145 91	2.2955 2.9341	1	2 2	2 2	3 3	3 6
376	I	325	3.4123	1	2	2	4	7
377	I	48	4.0833	1	2	3	5	. 8
378	I	175	2.5943	1	1	2	3	5
379		355	3.0028	1	1	2	3	5
380		99	1.9697	1	1	1	2	3
381		190	1.9053	1	1	1	2	4
382 383		49 2,003	1.6939 3.7913	1	1	3	2	3 7
384	I	129	2.6279	1		2	3	5
385		3	2.0000	1	1	2	3	3
387		1	55.0000	55	55	55	55	55
389		12	6.2500	2	3	5	9	10
390		20	4.3000	1	2	3	5	7
392 393		2,271 1	9.6874 4.0000	3	4 4	7 4	12 4	21 4
394		2,605	7.5965	1	2	5	9	17
395	I	108,024	4.3238	1	2	3	5	9
396		17	4.4118	1	1	3	7	9
397		19,035	5.1743	1	2	4	6	10
398		18,162	5.8655	2	3	5	7	11
399	I	1,693 6 371	3.4826	1	2	3	4	6
400 401	I	6,371 5,845	9.0333 11.5341	1 2	3 5	6 9	12 15	21 23
402	I	1,478	3.9831	1	1	3	5	9
403	I	31,947	8.1013	2	3	6	10	17
404	I	4,350	4.1069	1	2	3	5	8
405	I	1	31.0000	31	31	31	31	31
406	I	2,444	9.6579	2	4	7	12	20
407	I	643	4.0560	1	2	3	5	7
408 409	I	2,134 2,154	8.2291 6.1565	1 2	2 3	5 4	10	20 12
410		28,484	4.0951	1	2	4	5	6
411		7	2.2857	1	1	2	2	4
412	I	16	3.8125	1	1	3	6	7
413		5,349	7.0501	2	3	5	9	14
414	I	633	4.2354	1	2	3	5	8
415	I	43,349	14.3233	4	6	11	18	28
416	I	192,908	7.4362	2 2	4	6	9 7	14
417 418	I	38 25,920	5.8421 6.2986	2	3 3	5 5	8	12 12
419	I	16,446	4.5517	1	2	4	6	9
420	I	3,220	3.4202	1	2	3	4	6

TABLE 7A.—MEDICARE PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM SELECTED PERCENTILE LENGTHS OF STAY [FY 2002 MEDPAR UPDATE DECEMBER 2002 GROUPER V20.0]—Continued

	DRG	Number of discharges	Arithmetic mean length of stay	10th Percentile	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile	90th Percentile
421		10,745	4.0624	1	2	3	5	8
		66	3.6970	1	2	2	4	6
_		8,116	8.3228	2	3	6	10	17
		1,236	12.7929	2	4	9	15	26
425 426		16,189 4,589	3.7961 4.4655	1	2 2	3 3	5 6	8 9
_		1,596	4.3784	1	2	3	5	9
		796	7.1382	1	2	5	8	14
_		25,933	6.0111	2	3	4	7	11
430		65,276	7.8291	2	3	6	10	16
431		314	6.8248	1	2	4	7	12
		451	4.0111	1	2	3	4	7
		5,554	3.1300	1	1	2	4	6
439		1,520	8.1855	1 2	3 3	5 6	9	17
		5,771 677	9.0806 3.1374	1	3 1	2	11	19 6
		17,571	8.5218	1	3	6	10	18
		3,920	3.3663	1	1	3	4	7
_		5,754	4.2011	1	2	3	5	8
445		2,546	2.8610	1	1	2	4	5
		6,514	2.5091	1	1	2	3	5
		1	1.0000	1	1	1	1	1_
		33,181	3.7059	1	1	3	4	7
		7,441 1	1.9790 1.0000	1	1	1	2	4
		25,679	4.9178	1	2	3	6	10
		5,687	2.7579	1	1	2	3	5
		4,792	4.2398	1	2	3	5	8
		1,070	2.4140	1	1	2	3	5
461		5,216	3.5861	1	1	2	4	8
		9,650	10.8636	4	6	9	14	20
		27,061	4.0439	1	2	3	5	8
		7,232	2.9887	1	1	2	4	6
		200 1,737	3.9100 4.0219	1		2	3	6 7
		1,140	3.0035	1		2	3	6
468		52,318	12.7674	3	6	10	16	25
471		13,363	5.3722	3	3	4	6	8
473		8,095	12.4119	2	3	7	17	32
475		109,726	11.1546	2	5	9	15	22
476		3,657	11.0941	2	5	10	15	21
		25,400	8.1660	1	3 3	6 5	11 9	17 15
_		108,133 24,052	7.3130 3.1910	1	1	2	4	7
		611	21.0638	6	8	12	22	47
481		865	21.7584	13	17	20	25	33
		5,296	12.5015	4	6	9	15	24
		45,427	39.2033	15	22	33	48	70
-		336	14.5744	2	6	11	21	28
		3,220	9.8264	4	5	7	11	19
		2,094	12.7612	1 1	6 3	10	17 9	26 15
		3,731 769	7.1702 16.9129	4	7	6 13	22	36
		13,373	8.5374	2	3	6	10	17
490		5,462	5.4888	1	2	4	7	11
		15,370	3.3853	1	2	3	4	6
492		3,140	14.9239	3	5	7	25	33
		59,615	5.9843	1	3	5	8	11
		28,880	2.5293	1_	1	2	3	5
		192	16.4167	7	9	12	19	31
		2,479	8.8709	3	4	6	11	18
		22,473 16,070	6.3553	3 2	4 3	5 4	7	11
498 499		16,070 34,688	4.0191 4.5204	1	2	3	5 6	6 9
500		49,936	2.4069	1	1	2	3	4
		2,608	10.6031	4	5	8	13	20
		771	6.1647	3	4	5	7	11
		5,970	3.9084	1	2	3	5	7
		125	27.6560	7	13	21	37	55

TABLE 7A.—MEDICARE PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM SELECTED PERCENTILE LENGTHS OF STAY [FY 2002 MEDPAR UPDATE DECEMBER 2002 GROUPER V20.0]—Continued

DRG	Number of discharges	Arithmetic mean length of stay	10th Percentile	25th Percentile	50th Percentile	75th Percentile	90th Percentile
505	134	5.6567	1	1	1	5	11
506	919	16.8836	4	7	13	21	35
507	341	9.0411	2	4	7	13	19
508	631	7.8051	2	3	5	10	17
509	160	4.2688	1	2	3	5	9
510	1,651	6.7274	1	3	5	8	15
511	581	4.6076	1	1	3	6	10
512	481	13.1185	6	8	10	15	23
513	207	9.7585	5	6	8	10	15
514	26,570	6.9035	1	2	5	9	15
515	8,131	5.1646	1	1	3	7	12
516	84,846	4.6338	2	2	4	5	9
517	198,743	2.5406	1	1	1	3	5
518	56,613	3.2508	1	1	2	4	7
519	8,486	4.8547	1	1	3	6	11
520	12,687	2.0548	1	1	1	2	4
521	30,898	5.7395	2	3	4	7	11
522	6,069	9.5670	4	5	8	12	20
523	15,456	4.0538	1	2	3	5	7
524	132,651	3.3690	1	2	3	4	6
525	571	17.2907	1	4	9	18	37
	11,713,347						

TABLE 7B.—MEDICARE PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM SELECTED PERCENTILE LENGTHS OF STAY—FY 2002 MEDPAR UPDATE DECEMBER 2002 GROUPER V21.0

DRG	Number of discharges	Arithmetic mean length of stay	10th percentile	25th percentile	50th percentile	75th percentile	90th percentile
1	23,433	10.5551	3	5	8	14	21
2	11,715	5.2534	1	3	4	7	10
3	3	6.0000	1	1	4	13	13
6	356	3.0197	1	1	2	4	7
7	14,683	9.8438	2	4	7	12	20
8	4,106	2.8015	1	1	1	3	7
9	1,711	6.2402	1	3	5	8	12
10	18,655	6.3850	2	3	5	8	13
11	3,291	4.0413	1	2	3	5	8
12	52,512	5.7513	2	3	4	7	11
13	7,068	5.0035	2	3	4	6	9
14	237,027	5.9456	2	3	5	7	11
15	94,223	4.8529	2	3	4	6	9
16	9,938	6.3106	2	3	5	8	12
17	2,744	3.2172	1	2	2	4	6
18	29,701	5.4868	2	3	4	7	10
19	8,519	3.5184	1	2	3	5	7
20	6,207	10.1927	3	5	8	13	20
21	1,885	6.5963	2	3	5	9	13
22	2,785	5.1178	2	2	4	6	10
23	11,270	4.2627	1	2	3	5	8
24	59,102	4.8803	1	2	4	6	10
25	27,433	3.1776	1	2	3	4	6
26	18	4.2778	1	1	2	3	4
27	4,398	5.1719	1	1	3	7	11
28	13,919	6.0265	1	3	5	8	12
29	5,282	3.4924	1	2	3	5	7
30	2	6.5000	2	2	11	11	11
31	3,897	4.0429	1	2	3	5	8
32	1,895	2.4776	1	1	2	3	5
34	23,811	4.9368	1	2	4	6	9
35	7,451	3.1094	1	1	3	4	6
36	2,117	1.5328	1	1	1	1	2
37	1,382	3.7685	1	1	2	5	8
38	97	2.8041	1	1	1	4	5
39	559	2.1163	1	1	1	2	4
40	1,549	3.8070	1	1	3	5	7

TABLE 7B.—MEDICARE PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM SELECTED PERCENTILE LENGTHS OF STAY—FY 2002 MEDPAR UPDATE DECEMBER 2002 GROUPER V21.0—Continued

	DRG	Number of discharges	Arithmetic mean length of stay	10th percentile	25th percentile	50th percentile	75th percentile	90th percentile
42		1,581	2.7381	1	1	1	3	6
43		94	3.3936	1	1	3	4	6
44		1,227	4.9935	2	3	4	6	9
45 46		2,668 3,482	3.1267 4.4730	1	2 2	3	4 6	6 8
		1,402	3.0927	1	1	2	4	6
49		2,391	4.4676	1	2	3	6	9
50		2,429	1.8506	1	1	1	2	3
		243	2.8354	1	1	1	3	8
52		223	1.8161	1	1	1 2	2	3 8
53 55		2,478 1,481	3.6186 2.9338	1	1	1	4 3	o 7
56		469	2.8955	1		1	3	6
57		711	3.6709	1	1	2	4	8
58		1	2.0000	2	2	2	2	2
59		116	2.6724	1	1	1	3	6
60 61		1 254	3.0000 5.1535	3	3	3 3	3 7	3 11
		234	7.0000	1		13	13	13
63		3,000	4.3860	1	2	3	5	9
64		3,126	6.4997	1		4	8	14
65		40,407	2.8127	1	1	2	4	5
66		7,841	3.0778	1	1	2	4	6
67 68		385	3.6442 3.8813	1	2 2	3	5 5	7 7
69		11,658 3,769	3.0186	1	2	3	4	5
70		30	2.3333	1	1	2	3	4
71		80	3.4000	1	1	2	4	6
72		964	3.4035	1	1	3	4	6
		7,697	4.4433	1	2	3	6	9
75		43,504	9.9907 11.1024	3	5 5	7	12 14	20 21
76 77		44,508 2,458	4.8031	3	2	4	7	10
78		39,504	6.5709	3	4	6	8	11
79		169,239	8.4557	3	4	7	11	16
		8,077	5.3480	2	3	4	7	10
		5	4.4000	1	1	3	8	8
82 83		64,299 6,665	6.8753 5.3655	2	3 3	5 4	9 7	14 10
84		1,575	3.2565	1	2	3	4	6
85		22,398	6.2473	2	3	5	8	12
86		2,250	3.5364	1	2	3	4	7
		61,129	6.3127	1	3	5	8	12
88 89		404,045 535,162	5.0463 5.8340	2	3 3	4 5	6 7	9 11
		48,843	3.9563	2	2	3	5	7
		45	5.0444	1	2	3	5	13
		15,809	6.2907	2	3	5	8	12
		1,778	4.0079	1	2	3	5	7
		12,813	6.2387	2	3	5	8	12
		1,655 56,893	3.8127 4.5613	1 2	2 2	3 4	5 6	7 8
		28,776	3.5275	1	2	3	4	6
		9	3.6667	1	1	2	2	5
99		21,400	3.1554	1	1	2	4	6
	0	8,324	2.1371	1	1	2	3	4
	1	22,329	4.3853	1	2	3	6	9
	2	5,644 484	2.6487 42.1240	1 9	1	2 23	3 53	5 92
	3 4	20,637	14.3306	6	12	12	17	92 25
	5	29,223	9.8741	4	6	8	11	18
	6	3,498	11.4019	5	7	10	14	20
	7	83,307	10.4339	5	7	9	12	17
	8	6,508	9.7617	2	5	8	12	18
10		57,450	7.7160	4	5	6 7	9	13
11	0 1	54,856 9,569	8.7568 4.0574	2	4 2	4	11 6	17 7
	3	39,734	12.4805	4	6	9	15	24
	4	8,315	8.6592	2	4	7	11	17

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DRG	Number of discharges	Arithmetic mean length of stay	10th percentile	25th percentile	50th percentile	75th percentile	90th percentile
115		7.4228	1	3	6	10	15
116		4.3974	1	2	3	6	. 9
117		4.3075	1	1	2	5	10
118		2.8976	1	1	1	4	7
119 120		5.2967 9.0051	1	1 3	3 6	7 12	13 20
121		6.2836	2	3	5	8	12
122		3.5159	1	2	3	5	7
123	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	4.7915	1	1	3	6	11
124		4.3838	1	2	3	6	9
125	- /	2.7616	1	1	2	4	5
126		11.5218	3	6	9	15	22
127 128		5.2357 5.4446	2 2	3 3	4 5	7 7	10 9
129		2.5951	1	1	1	3	6
130		5.5991	2	3	5	7	10
131		4.0330	1	2	4	5	7
132		2.8904	1	1	2	4	5
133		2.2843	1	1	2	3	4
134		3.1609	1	2	2	4	6
135 136	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	4.4540 2.6641	1	2	3 2	5 3	8 5
136 138		3.9930	1	1 2	3	5	8
139		2.4733	1	1	2	3	5
140		2.5252	1	1	2	3	5
141	108,834	3.5704	1	2	3	4	7
142	- /	2.5530	1	1	2	3	5
143	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	2.0911	1	1	2	3	4
144		5.5436	1	2	4	7	11
145		2.5700	5	1 6	2 8	3 12	5 17
146 147		10.2338 6.2266	3	5	6	8	9
148		12.2751	5	7	10	15	22
149	20,205	6.3062	4	5	6	7	9
150		11.3235	4	6	9	14	20
151	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	5.5586	2	3	5	7	10
152		8.3724	3	5	7 5	10	15
153 154	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	5.2546 13.2140	3	4 7	10	7 17	8 26
155		4.0801	1	2	3	6	8
156		2.5000	1	1	1	3	5
157		5.7459	1	2	4	7	12
158		2.6016	1	1	2	3	5
159		5.1194	1	2	4	7	10
160 161	12,203 10,803	2.6826 4.3270	1	1 2	2	3 6	5 9
162	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1.9305	1	1	1	2	4
163		3.2500	1	i i	2	3	6
164		8.3580	3	5	7	10	15
165		4.4882	2	3	4	6	7
166		4.7263	1	2	4	6	9
167		2.4133	1	1	2	3	4
168		4.8386	1	2	3 2	6 3	10 5
169 170		2.4005 10.8241	2	1 4	8	14	22
171		4.3333	1	2	4	6	9
172		6.9669	2	3	5	9	14
173		3.7808	1	2	3	5	8
174	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	4.7834	2	3	4	6	9
175	- ,-	2.9157	1	2	3	4	5
176		5.2318	2	3	4	6	10
177		4.5719 3.1227	2	3	4 3	6 4	8 6
178 179		5.9431	2	2 3	5	7	11
180		5.4251	2	3	4	7	10
181		3.3710	1	2	3	4	6
182		4.4204	1	2	3	5	8
183	91,272	2.8962	1	1	2	4	5
184	69	3.2319	1	1	2	4	6

TABLE 7B.—MEDICARE PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM SELECTED PERCENTILE LENGTHS OF STAY—FY 2002 MEDPAR UPDATE DECEMBER 2002 GROUPER V21.0—Continued

	DRG	Number of discharges	Arithmetic mean length of stay	10th percentile	25th percentile	50th percentile	75th percentile	90th percentile
185 .		5,350	4.6680	1	2	3	6	10
186 .		6	6.6667	2	3	3	10	10
		619	4.0307	1	2	3	6	8
		84,099	5.5620	1	2	4	7	11
		13,098	3.1005	1	1	2	4	6
		75	5.1733	1	2	4	6	11
		9,537	13.7975	3	6	10	17	28
		1,322	6.2201 12.7242	1	3 7	6 10	8	11 23
		4,822 650	6.7323	5 2	4	6	16 8	12
-		4,019	10.5175	4	6	9	13	19
		998	5.6092	2	3	5	7	10
		18,313	9.1566	3	5	7	11	17
		5,418	4.4118	2	3	4	6	7
		1,636	9.7353	2	4	7	13	21
		1,076	10.4898	2	3	7	14	23
		2,130	14.1469	3	6	11	18	29
		26,756	6.3872	2	3	5	8	13
		30,055	6.6816	2	3	5	9	13
		65,585	5.7470	2	3	4	7	11
		27,481	6.1736	2	3	5	8	12
		2,057	3.7832	1	2	3	5	8
207 .		32,881	5.1924	1	2	4	7	10
208 .		10,188	2.8924	1	1	2	4	5
209 .		399,893	4.8600	3	3	4	5	7
210 .		122,843	6.8859	3	4	6	8	11
211 .		30,096	4.8394	3	4	4	6	7
212 .		9	7.0000	1	1	4	5	7
213 .		9,950	9.2035	2	4	7	12	18
216 .		8,770	7.9789	1	2	6	11	17
		17,292	13.3846	3	5	9	16	28
218 .		23,796	5.5121	2	3	4	7	10
		19,891	3.1961	1	2	3	4	6
		1	1.0000	1	1	1	1	1
		13,308	3.0326	1	1	2	4	6
		11,738	1.9052	1	1	1	2	3
		6,481	5.2626	1	2	4	7	11
		5,874	6.5259	1	2	4	8	14
		4,854	2.6360	1	1	2 3	3	5
		2,534	4.1492	1	1		5	9 5
-		1,263 2,456	2.3286 5.5668	1	1 2	2 3	7	12
		816	2.7132	1	1	1	2	6
-		9,940	7.3671	1	3	6	10	15
		5,364	3.0626	1	1	2	4	7
005		5,107	4.8659	1	2	4	6	9
		40,182	4.6505	1	3	4	6	8
		1,782	3.6599	1	2	3	5	7
		8,956	8.6382	3	4	7	10	17
		46,252	6.2694	2	3	5	8	12
		12,062	6.6231	2	3	5	8	13
-		3,173	3.7690	1	2	3	5	7
		2,597	6.8814	2	3	5	9	14
		96,552	4.6506	1	2	4	6	9
244 .		14,695	4.6521	1	2	4	6	9
		5,861	3.2950	1	2	3	4	6
-		1,498	3.7216	1	2	3	5	7
247 .		20,507	3.3340	1	1	3	4	7
		13,931	4.9200	1	3	4	6	9
		12,932	3.6170	1	1	2	4	7
		3,802	4.1302	1	2	3	5	8
		2,375	2.7651	1	1	3	3	5
		22,095	4.6939	2	3	4	6	8
		10,763	3.1601	1	2	3	4	5
		6,714	5.1008	1	2	4	6	10
		15,758	2.6395	1	1	2	3	5
		15,317	1.8212	1	1	2	2	3
259 .		3,517	2.6747	1	1	1	3	6
		4,236	1.3973	1	1	1	1	2

TABLE 7B.—MEDICARE PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM SELECTED PERCENTILE LENGTHS OF STAY—FY 2002 MEDPAR UPDATE DECEMBER 2002 GROUPER V21.0—Continued

	DRG	Number of discharges	Arithmetic mean length of stay	10th percentile	25th percentile	50th percentile	75th percentile	90th percentile
261		1,776	2.0884	1	1	1	2	4
		668	4.3204	1	1	3	6	9
263		23,192	11.4687	3	5	8	14	22
264		3,869	6.5585	2	3	5	8	13
265		4,103	6.6074	1	2	4	8	14
266		2,555	3.2337	1	1	2	4	7
267		241	4.4606	1	1	3	6	10
268		920	3.7978	1	1	2	4	8
269		9,852	8.5323	2	3	7	11	17
270		2,798	3.5615	1	1	2	5	7
		19,436	7.2481	2	4	6	9	14
		5,752	6.0176	2	3	5	7	12
		1,343	3.9598	1	2	3	5	8
		2,305	6.4586	1	3	5	8	13
		230	3.6217	1	1	2	4	7
		1,327	4.4574	1	2	4	6	8
		100,811	5.7271	2	3	5	7	10
			4.1962	2	2	4	5	7
		32,531						
		10	5.3000	2	2	3	7	7
		17,882	4.1159	1	2	3	5	8
		7,536	2.8879	1	1	2	4	5
		6,093	4.6606	1	2	4	6	9
		2,029	2.9359	1	1	2	4	6
		6,962	10.5315	3	5	8	13	20
286		2,502	5.8981	2	3	4	7	12
287		6,287	10.2537	3	5	8	13	20
288		5,524	4.9716	2	3	4	5	8
289		6,938	2.7257	1	1	1	2	6
290		9,964	2.1995	1	1	1	2	4
291		58	1.6379	1	1	1	2	3
		6,534	10.4645	2	4	8	14	21
		364	4.7033	1	1	3	6	9
		98,755	4.5121	1	2	3	6	9
		3,550	3.9721	1	2	3	5	7
		280,547	5.0716	1	2	4	6	10
		48,715	3.2855	1	2	3	4	6
			3.1802	1		2	4	7
		111		1	1		- 1	-
		1,276	5.4412	1	2	4	7	11
		18,798	6.1364	2	3	5	8	12
		3,636	3.5954	1	2	3	4	7
		8,722	8.5255	4	5	6	9	15
		21,880	8.0372	3	4	6	9	15
		12,572	8.8705	2	4	6	11	18
		3,047	3.5510	1	2	3	4	7
		7,077	5.3740	1	2	3	7	12
307		2,035	2.0708	1	1	2	2	3
308		7,299	6.2077	1	2	4	8	14
309		4,183	2.0995	1	1	1	2	4
310		24,884	4.3725	1	1	3	6	10
311		7,495	1.8220	1	1	1	2	3
		1,524	4.5623	1	1	3	6	10
		555	2.2559	1	1	1	3	5
		2	40.5000	1		80	80	80
		34,134	6.9586	1	1	4	9	16
		119,645	6.5348	2	3	5	8	13
		2,018	3.6051	4	1	2	4	7
				1 1	3	5	8	12
		5,782	6.0930	1			I	
		412	2.9320	1	1	2	4	6
		188,165	5.2818	2	3	4	6	10
		31,355	3.7221	1	2	3	5	7
		50	3.2200	1	2	3	4	5
		19,957	3.1681	1	1	2	4	6
		7,040	1.9006	1	1	1	2	4
325		9,310	3.8056	1	2	3	5	7
		2,732	2.6190	1	1	2	3	5
		7	2.5714	1	1	2	3	4
		742	3.7251	1	1	3	5	8
		94	2.0851	1	1	1	3	5
		51,439	5.5878	1	3	4	7	11

TABLE 7B.—MEDICARE PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM SELECTED PERCENTILE LENGTHS OF STAY—FY 2002 MEDPAR UPDATE DECEMBER 2002 GROUPER V21.0—Continued

DRG	Number of discharges	Arithmetic mean length of stay	10th percentile	25th percentile	50th percentile	75th percentile	90th percentile
332	5,006	3.1596	1	1	2	4	6
333	255	5.7843	1	2	3	7	11
334	10,536	4.5813	2	3	4	5	8
335 336	12,727 35,950	3.0264 3.3945	2	2 2	3 2	4 4	5 7
337	29,532	2.0157	1	1	2	2	3
338	940	5.4851	1	2	3	7	13
339	1,481	4.7968	1	1	3	6	11
340	1	2.0000	2	2	2	2	2
341	3,580	3.2031	1	1	2	3	7
342 344	693 3,580	3.1977 2.5232	1	1 1	2	4 2	7 5
345	1,370	4.9051	1		3	6	11
346	4,890	5.8937	2	3	5	8	12
347	315	3.0762	1	1	2	4	7
348	3,401	4.3355	1	2	3	5	8
349	616 6,748	2.5049 4.4884	1 2	1	2	3 6	5 8
350 352	960	3.9740	1	2 2	3	5	7
353	2,600	6.4942	2	3	5	7	12
354	7,444	5.7016	3	3	4	6	10
355	5,590	3.1971	2	2	3	4	5
356	25,990	2.0785	1	1	2	3	3
357 358	5,663	8.3744 4.1750	3 2	4 2	6 3	10	16 7
359	21,660 32,036	2.5609	1	2	2	3	4
360	15,871	2.7521	1	1	2	3	4
361	346	3.2052	1	1	2	3	8
362	5	1.4000	1	1	1	2	2
363	2,527	3.6312	1	2	2	4	8
364 365	1,637 1,843	4.1307 8.1872	1	1 3	3 5	5 10	8 17
366	4,581	6.6619	1	3	5	8	14
367	487	3.0678	1	1	2	4	7
368	3,572	6.6551	2	3	5	8	13
369	3,482	3.3090	1	1	2	4	7
370	1,350	5.7911	2 2	3	4 3	5	9
371 372	1,691 947	3.4826 3.4805	2	3 2	2	4 3	5 5
373	4,145	2.2955	1	2	2	3	3
374	91	2.9341	1	2	2	3	6
376	325	3.4123	1	2	2	4	7
377	48	4.0833	1	2	3	5	8
378 379	175 355	2.5943 3.0028	1	1	2 2	3 3	5 5
380	99	1.9697	1		1	2	3
381	190	1.9053	1	1	1	2	4
382	49	1.6939	1	1	1	2	3
383	2,003	3.7913	1	1	3	4	7
384	129	2.6279	1 1	1 1	2 2	3	5 3
385 387	3	2.0000 55.0000	55	55	55	55	55
389	12	6.2500	2	3	5	9	10
392	2,271	9.6874	3	4	7	12	21
393	1	4.0000	4	4	4	4	4
394	2,605	7.5965	1	2	5	9	17
395 396	108,024	4.3238 4.4118	1 1	2	3	5 7	9
397	19,035	5.1743	1	2	4	6	10
398	18,162	5.8655	2	3	5	7	11
399	1,693	3.4826	1	2	3	4	6
401	5,845	11.5341	2	5	9	15	23
402	1,478	3.9831	1	1	3	5	9
403	31,947	8.1013	2	3 2	6	10	17
404 405	4,350	4.1069 31.0000	1 31	31	3 31	5 31	8 31
406	2,444	9.6579	2	4	7	12	20
407	643	4.0560	1	2	3	5	7
408	2,134	8.2291	1	2	5	10	20

TABLE 7B.—MEDICARE PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM SELECTED PERCENTILE LENGTHS OF STAY—FY 2002 MEDPAR UPDATE DECEMBER 2002 GROUPER V21.0—Continued

DRG	Number of discharges	Arithmetic mean length of stay	10th percentile	25th percentile	50th percentile	75th percentile	90th percentile
409	2,154	6.1565	2	3	4	6	12
410	28,484	4.0951	1	2	4	5	6
411	7	2.2857	1	1	2 3	2	4 7
412 413	16 5,349	3.8125 7.0501	2	1 3	5	6 9	14
414	633	4.2354	1	2	3	5	8
415	43,349	14.3233	4	6	11	18	28
416	192,908	7.4362	2	4	6	9	14
417	38	5.8421	2	3	5	7	12
418	25,920	6.2986	2	3	5 4	8	12 9
419 420	16,446 3,220	4.5517 3.4202	1	2 2	3	6 4	6
421	10,745	4.0624	1	2	3	5	8
422	66	3.6970	1	2	2	4	6
423	8,116	8.3228	2	3	6	10	17
424	1,236	12.7929	2	4	9	15	26
425 426	16,189 4,589	3.7961 4.4655	1	2 2	3	5 6	8 9
427	1,596	4.3784	1	2	3	5	9
428	796	7.1382	1	2	5	8	14
429	27,249	5.8827	2	3	4	7	11
430	65,276	7.8291	2	3	6	10	16
431 432	314 451	6.8248 4.0111	1	2 2	4 3	7	12 7
433	5,554	3.1300	1	1	2	4 4	6
439	1,520	8.1855	1	3	5	9	17
440	5,771	9.0806	2	3	6	11	19
441	677	3.1374	1	1	2	4	6
442	17,571	8.5218	1	3	6	10	18
444	3,920 5,754	3.3663 4.2011	1	1 2	3	4 5	7 8
445	2,546	2.8610	1	1	2	4	5
447	6,514	2.5091	1	1	2	3	5
448	1	1.0000	1	1	1	1	1
449	33,181	3.7059	1	1	3	4	7
450 451	7,441 1	1.9790 1.0000	1	1	1	2 1	4
452	25,679	4.9178	1	2	3	6	10
453	5,687	2.7579	1	1	2	3	5
454	4,792	4.2398	1	2	3	5	8
455	1,070	2.4140	1	1	2	3	5
461 462	5,216 9,650	3.5861 10.8636	1	1 6	2 9	4 14	8 20
463	27,061	4.0439	1	2	3	5	8
464	7,232	2.9887	1	1	2	4	6
465	200	3.9100	1	1	1	3	6
466	1,737	4.0219	1	1	2	4	7
467 468	1,141 52,318	3.0035 12.7674	1 3	1 6	2 10	3 16	6 25
471	13,363	5.3722	3	3	4	6	8
473	8,095	12.4119	2	3	7	17	32
475	109,726	11.1546	2	5	9	15	22
476	3,657	11.0941	2	5	10	15	21
477 478	25,400 108,112	8.1660 7.3110	1	3 3	6 5	11 9	17 15
479	24,051	3.1906	1	1	2	4	7
480	611	21.0638	6	8	12	22	47
481	865	21.7584	13	17	20	25	33
482	5,296	12.5015	4	6	9	15	24
483	45,427	39.2033	15	22	33	48	70
484 485	336 3,220	14.5744 9.8264	2	6 5	11 7	21 11	28 19
486	2,094	12.7612	1	6	10	17	26
487	3,731	7.1702	1	3	6	9	15
488	769	16.9129	4	7	13	22	36
489	13,373	8.5374	2	3	6	10	17
490	5,462	5.4888	1	2	4	7	11
491 492	15,370 3,140	3.3853 14.9239	1 3	5	3 7	4 25	6 33
704I	3,140	14.5239	3	· 3	1	20	33

TABLE 7B.—MEDICARE PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM SELECTED PERCENTILE LENGTHS OF STAY—FY 2002 MEDPAR UPDATE DECEMBER 2002 GROUPER V21.0—Continued

DRG	Number of discharges	Arithmetic mean length of stay	10th percentile	25th percentile	50th percentile	75th percentile	90th percentile
493	59,615	5.9843	1	3	5	8	11
494	28,880	2.5293	1	1	2	3	5
495	192	16.4167	7	9	12	19	31
496	2,479	8.8709	3	4	6	11	18
497	21,955	6.2773	3	4	5	7	11
498	15,754	4.0072	2	3	4	5	6
499	34,688	4.5204	1	2	3	6	9
500	49,936	2.4069	1	1	2	3	4
501	2,608	10.6031	4	5	8	13	20
502	771	6.1647	3	4	5	7	11
503	5,970	3.9084	1	2	3	5	7
504	125	27.6560	7	13	21	37	, 55
505	134	5.6567	1	13	1	5	11
506	919	16.8836	4	7	13	21	35
507	341	9.0411	2	4	7	13	19
508	631	7.8051	2	3	5	10	17
509	160	4.2688	1	2	3	5	9
510	1,651	6.7274	1	3	5	8	15
	•	4.6076	1	1	3	6	10
511	581		6	8	10	15	23
512	481	13.1185	5		-	-	23 15
513	207	9.7585	-	6	8	10	
515	8,131	5.1646	1	1	3	7	12
516	84,846	4.6338	2	2	4	5	9
517	198,743	2.5406	1	1	1	3	5
518	56,613	3.2508	1	1	2	4	7
519	9,004	5.1313	1	1	3	6	12
520	13,003	2.1170	1	1	2	2	4
521	30,898	5.7395	2	3	4	7	11
522	6,069	9.5670	4	5	8	12	20
523	15,456	4.0538	1	2	3	5	7
524	132,651	3.3690	1	2	3	4	6
525	571	17.2907	1	4	. 9	18	37
528	1,354	17.0990	6	10	15	22	31
529	4,687	10.5078	2	3	7	14	24
530	2,842	3.9170	1	2	3	5	8
531	3,802	9.9408	2	4	7	13	21
532	2,910	3.9704	1	1	3	5	8
533	43,264	4.1077	1	1	2	5	9
534	52,354	2.0108	1	1	1	2	4
535	6,005	10.9189	2	5	9	14	21
536	20,565	5.7310	1	2	4	8	12
537	6,870	7.0199	1	3	5	9	14
538	6,442	2.8788	1	1	2	4	6
539	4,472	11.1456	2	4	8	15	24
540	1,899	4.0590	1	1	3	5	8
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TABLE 8A.—STATEWIDE AVERAGE OP- TABLE 8A.—STATEWIDE AVERAGE OP- TABLE 8A.—STATEWIDE AVERAGE OP-ERATING COST-TO-CHARGE RATIOS FOR URBAN AND RURAL HOSPITALS (CASE WEIGHTED)—MARCH 2003

State	Urban	Rural
Alabama	0.326	0.393
Alaska	0.401	0.662
Arizona	0.334	0.453
Arkansas	0.424	0.413
California	0.322	0.411
Colorado	0.408	0.532
Connecticut	0.501	0.538
Delaware	0.592	0.483
District of Columbia	0.382	
Florida	0.330	0.344
Georgia	0.449	0.444
Hawaii	0.402	0.447

ERATING COST-TO-CHARGE RATIOS FOR URBAN AND RURAL HOSPITALS (CASE WEIGHTED)-MARCH 2003-Continued

State	Urban	Rural
Idaho	0.541	0.518
Illinois	0.384	0.476
Indiana	0.486	0.523
lowa	0.456	0.587
Kansas	0.376	0.558
Kentucky	0.458	0.462
Louisiana	0.383	0.459
Maine	0.542	0.499
Maryland	0.760	0.820
Massachusetts	0.499	0.553
Michigan	0.438	0.534

ERATING COST-TO-CHARGE RATIOS FOR URBAN AND RURAL HOSPITALS (CASE WEIGHTED)-MARCH 2003-Continued

State	Urban	Rural
Minnesota	0.460	0.619
Mississippi	0.431	0.419
Missouri	0.389	0.459
Montana	0.510	0.516
Nebraska	0.415	0.525
Nevada	0.284	0.461
New Hampshire	0.523	0.587
New Jersey	0.343	
New Mexico	0.473	0.479
New York	0.470	0.579
North Carolina	0.503	0.468

TABLE 8A.—STATEWIDE AVERAGE OPERATING COST-TO-CHARGE RATIOS
FOR URBAN AND RURAL HOSPITALS
(CASE WEIGHTED)—MARCH 2003—
Continued

State	Urban	Rural
North Dakota	0.640	0.628
Ohio	0.481	0.567
Oklahoma	0.371	0.466
Oregon	0.525	0.568
Pennsylvania	0.367	0.497
Puerto Rico	0.479	0.569
Rhode Island	0.484	
South Carolina	0.435	0.452
South Dakota	0.484	0.535
Tennessee	0.411	0.434
Texas	0.373	0.477
Utah	0.481	0.581
Vermont	0.522	0.596
Virginia	0.428	0.499
Washington	0.532	0.581
West Virginia	0.572	0.545
Wisconsin	0.509	0.583
Wyoming	0.442	0.618

TABLE 8B.—STATEWIDE AVERAGE TABLE
CAPITAL COST-TO-CHARGE RATIOS CAPI
(CASE WEIGHTED)—MARCH 2003 (CAS

State	Ratio
Alabama	0.040
Alaska	0.053
Arizona	0.033
Arkansas	0.042
California	0.031
Colorado	0.043
Connecticut	0.036
Delaware	0.050
District of Columbia	0.026
Florida	0.039
Georgia	0.047
Hawaii	0.041
daho	0.045
Illinois	0.037
ndiana	0.051
owa	0.046
Kansas	0.045
Kentucky	0.045
Louisiana	0.043
Maine	0.035
Maryland	0.013
Massachusetts	0.049
Michigan	0.043
Minnesota	0.042
Mississippi	0.041
Missouri	0.040
Montana	0.049

TABLE 8B.—STATEWIDE AVERAGE CAPITAL COST-TO-CHARGE RATIOS (CASE WEIGHTED)—MARCH 2003—Continued

Continued	
State	Ratio
Nebraska	0.047
Nevada	0.032
New Hampshire	0.059
New Jersey	0.030
New Mexico	0.044
New York	0.047
North Carolina	0.046
North Dakota	0.065
Ohio	0.044
Oklahoma	0.040
Oregon	0.043
Pennsylvania	0.035
Puerto Rico	0.043
Rhode Island	0.033
South Carolina	0.046
South Dakota	0.051
Tennessee	0.046
Texas	0.043
Utah	0.046
Vermont	0.046
Virginia	0.048
Washington	0.052
West Virginia	0.045
Wisconsin	0.050
Wyoming	0.050

TABLE 9.—HOSPITAL RECLASSIFICATIONS AND REDESIGNATIONS BY INDIVIDUAL HOSPITAL—FY 2004

Provider No.	Actual MSA or rural area	Wage index MSA reclassification	Standardized amount MSA reclassification
010005	01	3440	3440
010008	01	5240	
010010	01	3440	3440
010012	01	2880	
010022	01	2880	
010029	0580	1800	
010035	01	1000	
010036	01	2750	
010043	01	1000	1000
010044	01	25	
010072	01	0450	0450
010089	01	1000	
010101	01	0450	0450
010118	01	5240	
010120	01	5160	
010121	01	5240	
010126	01	2180	
010150	01	5240	
010158	01	2030	
020008	02	0380	
030007	03	2620	
030012	03	6200	
030033	03	2620	
030043	03	8520	
040014	04	4400	
040017	04	26	
040019	04	4920	
040020	3700	4920	
040026	04	4400	
040027	04	7920	
040041	04	4400	
040066	04	4400	
040069	04	4920	
040072	04	4400	
040076	04	4400	
040078	04	4400	

TABLE 9.—HOSPITAL RECLASSIFICATIONS AND REDESIGNATIONS BY INDIVIDUAL HOSPITAL—FY 2004—Continued

	Provider No.	Actual MSA or rural area	Wage index MSA reclassification	Standardized amount MSA reclassification
040080		04	3700	
		04	7680	
		04	8360	
		04	8360	
		04	4400	
		05	6690	
		05		7220
			5775	7320
		7400		
		8720	5775	
		8720	5775	
		05	6920	
		7500	8720	
		7360	5775	
		5945	4480	
050236		8735		4480
050236		8735	4480	
050251		05	6720	
050296		05	7120	
		05	5170	
050335		05	5170	
		05	6690	
		7360	5775	
		5170	8120	
		05	6920	
		7360	5775	
		7360	5775	
		8735	4480	
		05	7500	
		5945	4480	
		5945	4480	
050668		7360	5775	
050686		6780	5945	
060001		3060	2080	2080
060003		1125	2080	2080
060013		06	0200	
		2995	6520	
		1125	2080	2080
		06	2080	
		06	2080	
		06	2995	
		06	2995	
		06	3060	
		06	2080	
		1125	2080	2080
		5483	5600	
		5483	5600	
		5483	5600	
		5483	5600	
		3283	5483	
080002		08		0720
080004		2190	9160	
080006		08	2190	
080007		08	0560	
		5000	2680	
		10	5960	
		10	5000	
		2020		5960
		10	3980	
		10	8960	
		-		8960
		10	3600	3600
		10	4900	
		10	5960	
		10	5000	
100176		8960	2710	
100211		8280	3980	
100232		10	5790	2900
		8280	7510	
		10	8280	
100249			0200	
		8960	2680	

TABLE 9.—HOSPITAL RECLASSIFICATIONS AND REDESIGNATIONS BY INDIVIDUAL HOSPITAL—FY 2004—Continued

	Provider No.	Actual MSA or rural area	Wage index MSA reclassification	Standardized amount MSA reclassification
110001		11	0520	
		11	0520	
		11	3600	
		11	1800	
		11	0520	
		11		3600
		11	3600	
		11	0520	
		11	10	
110040		11	0500	0500
110041		11	0500	
110050		11	0520	
110054		11	0520	
110074		0500		0520
110075		11	7520	
110118		11	0120	
110122		11	10	
110150		11	4680	
110168		11	0520	
110187		11	0520	
110188		11	0520	
110189		11	0520	
110205		11	0520	
120028		12	3320	
130002		13	6340	
130003		13	50	
130011		13	50	
130018		13	6340	
130026		13	6340	
130028		6340	7160	
130049		13	7840	
130060		13	1080	
140014		6120	1040	
140015		14	7040	
140027		14	1960	
140031		14	1400	
140032		14	7040	
140034		14	7040	7040
140040		14	6120	
140043		14	6880	
140046		14	7040	
140058		14	7880	
140064		14	1960	
140086		14	7040	7040
140093		14	1400	
140102		14	7880	7880
140110		14	6120	
		14	7040	7040
		14	6120	
		14	6880	
		14	1600	
		14	7040	
		14	1400	
		14	1400	1400
		14	6120	
		14		7040
_		14	7800	7800
		2960	1600	1600
		2960	1600	1600
		15	7800	
		2960	1600	1600
		15	3480	3480
		15	1600	1600
		15		3480
		15	3480	3480
		2960	1600	1600
		15	3850	
		15	3200	
		1020		3480
150062		15	3480	3480

TABLE 9.—HOSPITAL RECLASSIFICATIONS AND REDESIGNATIONS BY INDIVIDUAL HOSPITAL—FY 2004—Continued

	Provider No.	Actual MSA or rural area	Wage index MSA reclassification	Standardized amount MSA reclassification
150065		15	3480	
		15		3480
150069		15	1640	1640
150076		15	7800	
150090		2960	1600	1600
150096		15	2330	
		15	7800	
		15	3480	
		15	3480	3480
		2960 2960	1600 1600	1600 1600
		15	3480	
		2960	1600	1600
		15	2330	
150146		15	2330	
150147		2960	1600	1600
160001		16	2120	
160016		16	2120	
		16	2120	
		16	2120	
		16	24	
		16 16	3500 24	
		16	6880	
		16	2120	
		16	2120	
		16	8920	
		16	14	
		16	2120	
		17	9040	
170006		17	3710	
170010		17	8560	
170012		17	9040	
170013		17	9040	
		17	3760	
		17	9040	
		17	7000	
		17	9040 9040	
		17 17	9040	
		17	8440	
		17	3710	
		17	28	
		17	0320	
170094		17	8440	
170120		17	3710	
170131		17	8440	8440
		17	8440	
		17	8560	
		17	0320	
		17	9040	
		18	3400 4280	
		18 18	4280 4520	
		18	5360	
		18	4520	
		18	4280	
180027		18	1660	
180028		18	3400	
180029		18	3660	
180044		18	3400	
		18	4280	
		18	1660	
		18	5360	
		18	3400	
		18	3400	
		18 18	1660 1660	
		18	1660	
		18	5360	
100124		10 1	5500	'

TABLE 9.—HOSPITAL RECLASSIFICATIONS AND REDESIGNATIONS BY INDIVIDUAL HOSPITAL—FY 2004—Continued

	Provider No.	Actual MSA or rural area	Wage index MSA reclassification	Standardized amount MSA reclassification
180125		18	3400	
		18	4520	
		18	4280	
		18	4280	
		19		5560
190003		19	3880	
		19	5560	
		19	5560	
190025		19	3880	
190049		19		5560
190054		19	3880	
190083		19	5200	
190086		19	5200	
190099		19	3880	
190106		19	3880	
190131		19	5560	
		19	0220	
		20	6403	
		6403	1123	1123
		4243	6403	
		4243	6403	
		20	6403	1122
		6403		1123
		20	0733	
		20	6403 0743	
		1123	3283	
		8003 22	0743	
		23	0440	
		23	3000	3000
		23	6960	3000
		23	6960	
		23	0440	
		23	3720	3000
		23	3080	
		23	6960	
230093		23	3000	
230096		23	3720	
230097		23	3000	
230105		23	6960	
230106		23	3000	
		23	2640	2640
		23	6960	6960
		23	0870	0870
230235		23	6960	6960
		23	2160	
		24	5120	5120
		24	5120	
		24	5120	
		24	2520	5120
		24	5120	5120
		24	2240	
		24	2520	
		24	2240	
		24	6820	
		24	0020	5120
		24	2240	
		24	6980	
		24	6980	
		24	5120	
		24	2985	
		24	2240	
		24	2240	
		24	5120	
240142		24	6980	
240152		24	5120	
240187		24	5120	
250002		25 25	2650 4920	

TABLE 9.—HOSPITAL RECLASSIFICATIONS AND REDESIGNATIONS BY INDIVIDUAL HOSPITAL—FY 2004—Continued

	Provider No.	Actual MSA or rural area	Wage index MSA reclassification	Standardized amount MSA reclassification
250009		25	3580	
		25	01	
250030		25	3560	
250031		25	3560	
250034		25	4920	
250042		25	4920	
250058		25	3285	
		3285	0920	
		25	3560	
		25	3560	
		25	6240	
		25 25	19 0760	
		3285	0920	
		25	0760	
		25	8600	
		25	3560	
		25	3560	
		25	19	
		25	4920	
		26	3760	
		26	1740	
260015		26	3700	
260017		26	7040	
260022		26	1740	
260025		26	7040	
260034		26	3760	
260047		26	1740	
		26	1740	
		26	1740	
		26	7920	
		26	7920	70.40
		26	7040	7040
		26	14	
		26 26	7040 3700	
		26	3700	
		26	7040	
		26	1740	
		26		7040
		26	7040	7040
		26	1740	
		27	0880	
270003		27	3040	
270011		27	3040	
270017		27	5140	
270051		27	5140	
270057		27	0880	
		27	3040	
		28	4360	
		28	4360	
		28	4360	
		28	4360	
		28	4360	
		28	53	
		28	3060	
		28	5920	
		28 28	5920 7720	
		29	6720	
		29	4120	
		30	1123	
		30	1123	
		30	1123	1123
		30		1123
		0875	5600	
		5640	5600	
		3640	5600	
		5640	0875	
010010				

TABLE 9.—HOSPITAL RECLASSIFICATIONS AND REDESIGNATIONS BY INDIVIDUAL HOSPITAL—FY 2004—Continued

	Provider No.	Actual MSA or rural area	Wage index MSA reclassification	Standardized amount MSA reclassification
310031		6160	5190	
		8760	6160	6160
		5015	5600	
		0875	5600	
		0560	6160	
		5015	5640	
		0560	6160	
		5015	5600	
		5640	5600	
		8760	6160	
		0560	6160	
		5640	5600	
		32	0200	
		32	7490	
		32	7490	
		32	7490	
		32	5800	
		32	5800	
		5660	0875	0875
		33	2281	
		2281	5660	5600
		5380	5600	
		33	1303	
		33	8160	
		33		1280
		5380	5600	
		5660	0875	0875
		5660	0875	0875
330136		33	8160	
330157		33	8160	
330181		5380	5600	
		5380	5600	
		5660	0875	0875
		5660	0875	0875
		33	3283	
		8160		6840
		3610	2360	
		33	1303	
		5660	0875	0875
		33	8160	
330386		33	5660	
340003		34	3120	
		34	2560	
		2980	6640	
		34	1520	
0.400.47		34	0480	
		34	1520	
		34	0480	
		34	3150	
		34		1520
		34	2560	
340051		34	3290	
340052		3120	1520	
340064		34	3120	
340068		34	9200	
340071		34	6640	6640
		34	0480	
		34	5720	5720
340115		34	6640	6640
340124		34	6640	6640
340126		34	6640	6640
		34	3150	
		3290	1520	
		6895	6640	
		35	1010	
		35	2985	
		35	1010	
		35	1010	
		1		
		35	2520	

TABLE 9.—HOSPITAL RECLASSIFICATIONS AND REDESIGNATIONS BY INDIVIDUAL HOSPITAL—FY 2004—Continued

	Provider No.	Actual MSA or rural area	Wage index MSA reclassification	Standardized amount MSA reclassification
360002		36		1680
360008		36	3400	
360010		36	0800	
360011		36	1840	1840
360013		36	2000	
360014		36	1840	
		36	1680	1680
360025		36	1680	1680
		36	0080	
		1680	0080	
		36	1840	1840
		3200	1400	1640
		36	1480	1640
		3200 36	1680	
		36	1680	1680
		36	4320	4320
		3200		1640
		0800	1680	1680
		8400		2160
		1320	0080	
360088		36	1840	
360090		8400		2160
360092		36	1840	1840
360095		36	8400	
360107		36	8400	
360109		36	1840	1840
360112		8400	0440	
360121		36	0440	
360132		3200		1640
		36		1640
		1680	0800	
		0080		1680
		36	1840	
		36	3200	
		36	1640	4040
		36 8080	1840	1840 6280
		37	3710	0200
		37	8560	
		37	7640	
		37	8560	
		37	8560	
		37	4200	
370023		37	4200	
370025		37	8560	
370034		37	2720	
370047		37	7640	
		37	8360	
370049		37	5880	
370054		37	5880	
370084		37	2720	
370103		37	45	
		37	4200	
		37	5880	
		38	6440	
		38	4890	
		38		6440
		38	1890	
		38	2400	
		38	2400	
		38	2400	
		38	4890	6440
		7080	2400	6440
		38	2400 6440	
		38	2400	
		39	3240	
		39	6280	6280
		39	3240	0200
090013		39	3240	

TABLE 9.—HOSPITAL RECLASSIFICATIONS AND REDESIGNATIONS BY INDIVIDUAL HOSPITAL—FY 2004—Continued

	Provider No.	Actual MSA or rural area	Wage index MSA reclassification	Standardized amount MSA reclassification	
390016		39	6280	6280	
		39	6280	6280	
		39	6680	6680	
		39	6680	6680	
		39	3240		
		39	0280		
		39	9280		
		39		9280	
			0960		
		39	6280		
		39	6280		
		3680	6280		
		39	9320		
		0240	6160		
		39	8840		
		39	6280		
390151		39	8840		
390163		39	6280		
390181		39	6680	6680	
		39	6680	6680	
		39	3240		
		0240	6160		
		39	5640	5640	
		0240	6160		
		40	1310		
		-	1123	1123	
		6483		-	
		6483	1123	1123	
		6483	1123	1123	
		6483	1123	1123	
410007		6483	1123	1123	
410008		6483	1123	1123	
410009		6483	1123	1123	
410010		6483	1123	1123	
410011		6483	1123	1123	
410012		6483	1123	1123	
410013		6483	1123	1123	
		42	1440		
		42	1440		
		42	1520		
		42	2655		
		42	1520		
		42	0600		
		8140			
			1760		
		42	0600		
		42	7520		
		5330	9200		
		43	6660		
		43	24		
		43	7760		
430013		43	7760		
430014		43	2520		
430015		43	6660		
430047		43	28		
		43	53		
430089		43	7720		
		44	3580		
		44	3440		
		44	1560		
		44	0480		
		44	1560		
		44	5360		
		44	3580		
		44	3840		
		44	3840		
		44	4920		
440073		44	5360		
440148		44	5360		
		44	3440		
		44	3840		
440180					
		44	1560		

TABLE 9.—HOSPITAL RECLASSIFICATIONS AND REDESIGNATIONS BY INDIVIDUAL HOSPITAL—FY 2004—Continued

	Provider No.	Actual MSA or rural area	Wage index MSA reclassification	Standardized amount MSA reclassification
440187		44	18	
		44	5360	
		44	5360	
440203		44	1560	
450007		45	7240	
450014		45	8750	
		45	4420	
		45	9080	
		45 45	4420	
		45	0320 5800	
		45	5800	
		45	0320	
450163		45	1880	
450178		45	5800	
450187		45	3360	
		45	1920	
		45	1920	
		45	1920	
		45 45	3360 3360	
		45	8640	
		45	3360	
		45	2800	
		45	1880	
450373		45	4420	
450395		45	3360	
450400		45	8800	
		45	0640	
		45	1920	
		45	2800	
		45 45	3360 8640	
		45	0320	
		45	1920	
		45	8750	
450653		45	5800	
450656		45	8640	
450694		45	3360	
		45	1920	
		45	4600	
		45	0320	
		45 46	0640 6520	
		46	4120	
		46	6520	
		46	6520	
		46	6520	
460039		46	7160	
		47	30	
		47	1123	1123
		47	6323	4400
		47	1123	1123
		49	3660 1540	
		49	8840	
		49	4640	
		49	4640	
		49	3660	
		49	8840	
		5720	6760	
		49	3120	3120
		49	6800	
		50	6740	
		50 50	7600 0860	
		50	7600	
		50	5910	
		50	6440	
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TABLE 9.—HOSPITAL RECLASSIFICATIONS AND REDESIGNATIONS BY INDIVIDUAL HOSPITAL—FY 2004—Continued

	Provider No.	Actual MSA or rural area	Wage index MSA reclassification	Standardized amount MSA reclassification
500072		50	7600	
500079		8200		7600
510001		51	6280	
510002		51	6800	
510006		51	6280	
510024		51	6280	6280
510028		51	1480	
510046		51	1480	
510047		51	6280	
510048		51	3400	
510062		51	1480	
		51	1480	
510071		51	1480	
520002		52	8940	
520006		52	8940	
520011		52	2290	
520021		3800	1600	1600
		52	4720	
		52	4720	
		52	8940	
		6600	5080	5080
		3620	4720	
520071		52	5080	5080
		52	4720	3000
		52	4720	
		52	5080	
		52	23	
		6600	5080	5080
520094			5080	5080
		6600	5080	5080
		52		
		52	3080	
520113		52	3080	
520116		52	5080	5080
520152		52	3080	
		52	2240	
		3800	1600	1600
530002		53	1350	
		53	1350	
530009		53	1350	
530015		53	6340	
530025		53	2670	
530032		53	7160	

TABLE 10.—MEAN AND STANDARD DE- TABLE 10.—MEAN AND STANDARD DE- TABLE 10.—MEAN AND STANDARD DE-VIATION BY DIAGNOSIS-RELATED GROUPS (DRGS)-FY 20041

VIATION BY DIAGNOSIS-RELATED **GROUPS** (DRGS)-FY 2004 1-Continued

VIATION BY **DIAGNOSIS-RELATED** GROUPS (DRGS)—FY 2004 1— Continued

		Mean + 1	Continued			Continued		
DRG	Cases	standard deviation	DRG	Cases	Mean + 1 standard	DRG	Cases	Mean + 1 standard
1	23,157	\$71,862	-		deviation			deviation
2	11,535	\$41,916	21	1,869	\$30,726	38	94	\$9,781
3	3	\$57,168	22	2,746	\$21,754	39	547	\$12,494
6	350	\$15,743	23	11,062	\$16,410	40	1,508	\$17,526
7	14,489	\$55,309	24	58,122	\$19,963	42	1,553	\$14,008
8	4,031	\$33,403	25	26,945	\$12,212	43	93	\$11,353
9	1,677	\$27,210	26	18	\$22,836	44	1,185	\$13,306
44	18,339 3,244	\$25,124 \$17,654	27	4,348	\$27,026	45	2,622	\$14,326
12	51,660	\$17,034	28	13,770	\$26,999	46	3,418	\$16,038
13	6,919	\$16,312	29	5,226	\$14,276	47	1,373	\$10,908
14	233.816	\$24,738	30	2	\$19,365	49	2,341	\$34,744
15	92,167	\$19,059	31	3,834	\$18,092	50	2,385	\$15,810
16	9,810	\$25,016	32	1,866	\$11,256	51	241	\$16,991
17	2,700	\$13,796	34	23,474	\$19,760	52	216	\$15,789
18	29,250	\$20,071	35	7,325	\$12,760	53	2,435	\$23,943
19	8,385	\$14,298	36	2,079	\$11,821	55	1,458	\$18,384
20	6,112	\$57,114	37	1,351	\$21,123	56	458	\$16,976

TABLE 10.—MEAN AND STANDARD DE- TABLE 10.—MEAN AND STANDARD DE- TABLE 10.—MEAN AND STANDARD DE-VIATION BY DIAGNOSIS-RELATED (DRGS)—FY 2004 1— GROUPS Continued

VIATION BY DIAGNOSIS-RELATED GROUPS (DRGS)—FY 2004 1— Continued

VIATION BY DIAGNOSIS-RELATED (DRGS)—FY 2004 1— **G**ROUPS Continued

DRG	Cases	Mean + 1 standard deviation	DRG	Cases	Mean + 1 standard deviation	DRG	Cases	Mean + 1 standard deviation
57	700	\$21,430	128	7,042	\$14,239	196	969	\$30,122
59	113	\$16,063	129	3,774	\$20,775	197	17,996	\$50,435
61	249	\$24,772	130	87,289	\$18,660	198	5,289	\$23,379
62	2	\$20,652	131	26,583	\$11,113	199	1,609	\$48,963
63	2,964	\$28,015	132	140,158	\$12,462	200	1,069	\$62,346
64	3,064	\$27,189	133	8,475	\$10,723	201	2,100	\$75,551
65	39,700	\$11,389	134	40,649	\$11,970	202	26,307	\$26,667
66	7,690	\$11,535	135	7,697	\$17,958	203	29,543	\$28,095
67	379	\$15,758	136	1,166	\$11,432	204	64,510	\$22,991
68	11,373	\$12,869	138	204,872	\$16,521	205	27,001	\$24,271
69	3,665	\$9,805	139	86,072	\$10,173	206	2,015	\$14,280
70	29	\$6,582	140	54,193	\$10,288	207	32,214	\$22,980
71	79	\$13,057	141	107,180	\$14,813	208	9,967	\$13,150
72	949	\$13,674	142	51,782	\$11,382	209	394,702	\$35,979
73	7,561	\$16,376	143	245,795	\$10,741	210	121,348	\$33,587
75 76	42,731	\$60,129 \$56,525	144	93,108	\$24,851 \$11,714	211	29,657	\$22,493 \$31,925
77	43,909 2,427	\$23,987	145 146	7,201 10,627	\$52,920	212 213	9,818	\$37,689
78	38,870	\$24,907	147	2.602	\$29,373	216	8,691	\$41,935
79	165,957	\$32,680	148	132,078	\$67,116	217	17.092	\$61,011
80	7,866	\$16,846	149	19,892	\$27,061	218	23,524	\$30,313
81	5	\$20,229	150	20,888	\$57.096	219	19,672	\$19,359
82	63,317	\$28,781	151	5,067	\$25,243	223	13,125	\$20,384
83	6,565	\$19,177	152	4,490	\$37,305	224	11,574	\$14,926
84	1,552	\$10,644	153	2,025	\$21,509	225	6,390	\$22,849
85	21,981	\$24,242	154	27,969	\$82,200	226	5,793	\$30,350
86	2,201	\$13,781	155	6,498	\$25,001	227	4,783	\$15,628
87	60,101	\$27,456	156	4	\$16,997	228	2,495	\$22,908
88	396,200	\$17,702	157	8,150	\$25,875	229	1,245	\$13,667
89	523,048	\$20,511	158	4,273	\$12,709	230	2,430	\$25,765
90	47,344	\$11,871	159	17,842	\$26,972	232	809	\$18,306
91	44	\$14,737	160	11,973	\$15,839	233	9,829	\$40,036
92	15,549	\$24,280	161	10,620	\$22,659	234	5,300	\$24,173
93	1,738	\$14,448	162	6,290	\$12,519	235	5,032	\$14,695
94	12,597	\$22,970	163	5 222	\$9,397	236	39,468	\$13,922
95	1,622	\$12,263	164	5,322	\$45,313	237	1,748	\$11,857
96 97	55,628 28,174	\$14,761 \$10,803	165 166	2,297 4,142	\$22,967 \$27,527	238 239	8,729	\$27,480 \$20,661
97 98	20,174	\$10,603	167	4,142	\$16,618	240	45,525 11,846	\$20,661 \$26,301
99	20,984	\$13,983	168	1,406	\$26.010	241	3,110	\$12,646
100	8,129	\$10,369	169	802	\$14,782	242	2,542	\$23,380
101	21,861	\$17,290	170	15,473	\$57,315	243	94,969	\$15,031
102	5,503	\$10,797	171	1,495	\$23,568	244	14,423	\$14,330
103	484	\$378,244	172	30,878	\$28.013	245	5,746	\$9,757
104	20,223	\$150,559	173	2,414	\$15,971	246	1,473	\$11,896
105	28,716	\$108,046	174	247,933	\$19,856	247	20,113	\$11,410
106	3,432	\$136,812	175	34,337	\$11,032	248	13,674	\$17,154
107	81,816	\$99,133	176	13,301	\$21,548	249	12,784	\$13,336
108	6,341	\$109,106	177	8,939	\$18,108	250	3,727	\$14,018
109	56,282	\$73,253	178	3,315	\$13,584	251	2,332	\$9,097
110	53,777	\$81,343	179	12,973	\$21,773	253	21,753	\$14,893
111	9,323	\$49,746	180	88,999	\$19,227	254	10,593	\$8,759
113	39,244	\$56,405	181	26,699	\$10,651	256	6,586	\$16,469
114	8,198	\$33,220	182	268,140	\$16,395	257	15,517	\$16,712
115	19,499	\$69,161	183	89,558	\$11,492	258	15,055	\$13,056 \$17,006
116 117	114,338 4,622	\$44,903 \$27,878	184 185	69 5,256	\$9,542 \$17,532	259 260	3,486 4,160	\$17,996 \$12,825
118	8,168	\$31,457	186	5,250	\$17,504	261	1,747	\$17,565
119	1,211	\$27,147	187	609	\$15,462	262	653	\$18,615
120	37,745	\$46,550	188	82,829	\$22,197	263	22,868	\$41,675
121	161,616	\$30,683	189	12,856	\$12,176	264	3,819	\$21,268
122	75,737	\$19,715	190	75	\$16,578	265	4,031	\$31,156
123	38,021	\$32,143	191	9,340	\$88,382	266	2,516	\$17,172
124	133,344	\$27,371	192	1,299	\$36,558	267	238	\$20,021
125	90,371	\$20,832	193	4,733	\$68,254	268	895	\$23,309
126	5,309	\$51,405	194	638	\$31,775	269	9,688	\$35,630
127	663,251	\$20,085	195	3,957	\$59,356	270	2,743	\$16,079

TABLE 10.—MEAN AND STANDARD DE- TABLE 10.—MEAN AND STANDARD DE- TABLE 10.—MEAN AND STANDARD DE-VIATION BY DIAGNOSIS-RELATED GROUPS (DRGS)—FY 2004 1— Continued

VIATION BY DIAGNOSIS-RELATED (DRGS)—FY GROUPS 2004 1— Continued

VIATION BY DIAGNOSIS-RELATED (DRGS)—FY 2004 1— **G**ROUPS Continued

DRG	Cases	Mean + 1 standard deviation	DRG	Cases	Mean + 1 standard deviation	DRG	Cases	Mean + 1 standard deviation
271	18,989	\$20,610	341	3,545	\$25,849	419	16,128	\$17,016
272	5,658	\$20,167	342	686	\$14,916	420	3,139	\$12,214
273	1,313	\$12,601	344	3,549	\$26,710	421	10,563	\$14,503
274	2,264	\$24,353	345	1,354	\$22,352	422	66	\$12,891
275	223	\$12,616	346	4,775	\$21,343	423	7,972	\$36,726
276	1,304	\$13,267	347	308	\$11,845	424	1,224	\$49,024
277	98,858	\$17,235	348	3,361	\$15,104	425	15,914	\$13,506
278	31,750	\$10,661	349	604	\$9,831	426	4,462	\$10,410
279	10	\$15,979	350	6,602	\$14,657	427	1,557	\$10,483
280	17,551	\$13,991	352	945	\$14,499	428	782	\$14,266
281	7,377	\$9,589	353	2,491	\$35,744	429	26,797	\$15,953
283	5,976	\$14,555	354	7,324	\$28,230	430	64,123	\$13,703
284	1,992	\$8,504	355	5,481	\$16,312	431	310	\$12,670
285	6,869	\$41,732	356	25,562	\$14,230	432	443	\$12,980
286	2,477	\$39,318	357	5,570	\$44,892 \$22,339	433	5,479	\$5,805
287 288	6,166 5,471	\$37,798 \$41,746	358 359	21,321 31,420	\$22,339 \$14,957	439 440	1,493 5,673	\$34,068 \$36,892
289	6,830	\$18,048	360	15,538	\$16,445	441	668	\$18,081
290	9,803	\$16,847	361	339	\$21,352	442	17,291	\$48,763
291	58	\$13,308	362	5	\$16,578	443	3,848	\$19,622
292	6,420	\$55,995	363	2,471	\$18,875	444	5,629	\$14,813
293	356	\$28,741	364	1,610	\$18,054	445	2,485	\$9,965
294	96,631	\$15,356	365	1,815	\$42,185	447	6,390	\$10,119
295	3,475	\$16,050	366	4,504	\$25.764	449	32,589	\$16,465
296	275,298	\$17,000	367	477	\$11,799	450	7,304	\$8,328
297	47,552	\$9,995	368	3,503	\$23,599	452	25,308	\$20,911
298	109	\$9,503	369	3,419	\$12,532	453	5,591	\$10,522
299	1,253	\$18,904	370	1,327	\$18,299	454	4,691	\$16,299
300	18,462	\$22,372	371	1,662	\$11,458	455	1,043	\$9,576
301	3,554	\$12,547	372	927	\$10,237	461	5,133	\$24,128
302	8,653	\$61,825	373	4,076	\$6,914	462	9,531	\$19,503
303	21,521	\$46,383	374	89	\$13,913	463	26,512	\$13,669
304	12,430	\$47,807	376	316	\$11,055	464	7,075	\$9,864
305	3,009	\$23,106	377	47	\$21,747	465	192	\$13,169
306	6,967	\$24,014	378	171	\$14,743	466	1,684	\$14,122
307	1,983	\$11,422	379	349	\$7,238	467	1,106	\$10,115
308	7,203	\$31,717	380	98	\$8,554	468	51,680	\$77,692
309	4,094	\$17,613	381	188	\$10,611	470	52	\$504,684
310	24,593	\$22,507	382	48	\$4,333	471	13,167	\$54,184
311	7,407	\$11,963	383	1,956	\$10,030	473	7,976	\$72,650
312	1,502	\$21,429	384	129	\$7,214	475	108,084	\$75,747
313	547	\$13,534	385	3	\$34,210	476	3,608	\$46,392
314	2	\$815,660	389	12	\$23,975	477	25,103	\$37,665
315	33,535	\$41,732	392	2,248	\$66,268	478	106,238	\$48,149
316	117,415	\$26,424	394	2,567	\$38,588	479	23,387	\$27,938
317	1,994	\$16,978 \$24,541	395	105,976	\$16,486	480	610	\$193,008
318 319	5,685 403	\$24,541 \$14,083	396	17 18,727	\$16,006 \$25,519	481	819 5,175	\$122,102 \$70,600
320	184,548	\$17,149	397 398	17,860	\$25,519	482 483	44,784	\$328,441
321	30,606	\$11,011	399	1,671	\$13,548	484	334	\$110,056
322	49	\$9,127	401	5,768	\$59,903	485	3,178	\$61,849
323	19,641	\$16,239	402	1,454	\$22,863	486	2,077	\$99,908
324	6,874	\$9,611	403	31,365	\$37,680	487	3,701	\$40,225
325	9,136	\$13,204	404	4,277	\$18,437	488	760	\$99,624
326	2,696	\$8,569	406	2,391	\$53,929	489	13,168	\$37,620
327	7	\$7,111	407	634	\$24,003	490	5,356	\$21,486
328	732	\$15,295	408	2,081	\$44,985	491	15,098	\$31,213
329	93	\$10,358	409	2,127	\$25,574	492	3,052	\$82,667
331	50,553	\$21,469	410	28,001	\$21,908	493	58,870	\$35,610
332	4,905	\$12,274	411	7	\$7,483	494	28,431	\$18,981
333	254	\$19,142	412	15	\$11,456	495	191	\$165,379
334	10,300	\$27,789	413	5,253	\$27,415	496	2,444	\$112,012
335	12,490	\$19,981	414	622	\$15,291	497	21,734	\$66,414
336	35,495	\$16,280	415	42,746	\$75,112	498	15,556	\$49,426
337	29,140	\$10,776	416	189,451	\$32,070	499	34,350	\$27,633
338	929	\$23,997	417	38	\$22,076	500	49,302	\$17,736
339	1,460	\$22,362	418	25,456	\$21,447	501	2,580	\$51,260

TABLE 10.—MEAN AND STANDARD DE- TABLE 10.—MEAN AND STANDARD DE- TABLE 10.—MEAN AND STANDARD DE-DIAGNOSIS-RELATED VIATION BY (DRGS)—FY 2004 1— GROUPS Continued

DIAGNOSIS-RELATED VIATION BY GROUPS (DRGS)—FY 2004 1— Continued

VIATION DIAGNOSIS-RELATED BY GROUPS (DRGS)—FY 2004 ¹— Continued

DRG	Cases	Mean + 1 standard deviation	DRG	Cases	Mean + 1 standard deviation	DRG	Cases	Mean + 1 standard deviation
502	761	\$27,677	517	194,015	\$35,730	531	3,766	\$64,237
503	5,883	\$24,011	518	55,225	\$36,574	532	2,888	\$30,290
504	125	\$257,167	519	8,892	\$47,738	533	42,601	\$32,675
505	134	\$36,044	520	12,823	\$29,760	534	51,346	\$20,340
506	916	\$87,492	521	30,454	\$14,130	535	5.896	\$156,207
507	337	\$37,309	522	6,008	\$10,049	536	20,103	\$118,567
508	612	\$27,746	523	15,103	\$7,817	537	6,765	\$36,526
509	155	\$13,241	524	130,318	\$14,293	538	6,350	\$19,355
510	1,625	\$23,313	525	562	\$247,370	539	4.388	\$69,606
511	571	\$13,248	526	73,724	\$42,080	540	1,866	\$25,633
512	481	\$101,931	527	194,015	\$33,802	540	1,000	\$25,633
513	206	\$107,611	528	1,343	\$140,528	¹ Cases are ta	aken from th	e FY 2002
515	8,028	\$105,722	529	4,633	\$63,385		RGs are from	
516	83,464	\$45,394	530	2,807	\$24,282	V21.0.		

TABLE 11.—PROPOSED LTC-DRGS RELATIVE WEIGHTS AND GEOMETRIC AND FIVE-SIXTHS OF THE AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY—FY 2004

LTC- DRG	Description	Relative weight	Geo-metric average length of stay	5/6ths of the aver- age length of stay
1	⁵ CRANIOTOMY AGE >17 W CC	1.9873	41.3	34.4
2	8 CRANIOTOMY AGE > 17 W/O CC	1.9873	41.3	34.4
3	⁸ CRANIOTOMY AGE 0-17	1.9873	41.3	34.4
6	8 CARPAL TUNNEL RELEASE	0.5711	20.8	17.3
7	PERIPH & CRANIAL NERVE & OTHER NERV SYST PROC W CC	1.5898	42.5	35.4
8	⁴ PERIPH & CRANIAL NERVE & OTHER NERV SYST PROC W/O CC	1.4090	34.1	28.4
9	SPINAL DISORDERS & INJURIES	1.5189	34.7	28.9
10	NERVOUS SYSTEM NEOPLASMS W CC	0.7590	23.4	19.5
11	NERVOUS SYSTEM NEOPLASMS W/O CC	0.7322	21.2	17.6
12	DEGENERATIVE NERVOUS SYSTEM DISORDERS	0.7760	26.4	22.0
13	MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS & CEREBELLAR ATAXIA	0.8287	28.3	23.5
14	INTERCRANIAL HEMORRHAGE & STROKE W INFARCT	0.9449	27.5	22.9
15	NONSPECIFIC CVA & PRECEREBRAL OCCULUSION W/O INFARCT	0.9058	28.9	24.0
16	NONSPECIFIC CEREBROVASCULAR DISORDERS W CC	0.9158	24.7	20.5
17	NONSPECIFIC CEREBROVASCULAR DISORDERS W/O CC	0.5478	20.0	16.6
18	CRANIAL & PERIPHERAL NERVE DISORDERS W CC	0.8845	24.9	20.7
19	CRANIAL & PERIPHERAL NERVE DISORDERS W.C.C	0.6378	22.6	18.8
20	NERVOUS SYSTEM INFECTION EXCEPT VIRAL MENINGITIS	1.0135	25.1	20.9
20	2 VIRAL MENINGITIS	0.7347	23.1 23.1	20.9 19.2
	2 HYPERTENSIVE ENCEPHALOPATHY		-	-
22		0.7347	23.1	19.2
23	NONTRAUMATIC STUPOR & COMA	1.0331	30.8	25.6
24	SEIZURE & HEADACHE AGE >17 W CC	1.0059	28.1	23.4
25	SEIZURE & HEADACHE AGE >17 W/O CC	0.8044	25.6	21.3
26	8 SEIZURE & HEADACHE AGE 0-17	0.7347	23.1	19.2
27	TRAUMATIC STUPOR & COMA, COMA >1 HR	1.1071	28.8	24.0
28	TRAUMATIC STUPOR & COMA, COMA <1 HR AGE >17 W CC	1.0527	29.2	24.3
29	TRAUMATIC STUPOR & COMA, COMA <1 HR AGE >17 W/O CC	0.9365	26.2	21.8
30	8 TRAUMATIC STUPOR & COMA, COMA <1 HR AGE 0-17	0.9785	27.4	22.8
31	³ CONCUSSION AGE >17 W CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
32	3 CONCUSSION AGE >17 W/O CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
33	8 CONCUSSION AGE 0-17	0.7347	23.1	19.2
34	OTHER DISORDERS OF NERVOUS SYSTEM W CC	0.9885	28.5	23.7
35	OTHER DISORDERS OF NERVOUS SYSTEM W/O CC	0.7817	26.9	22.4
36	8 RETINAL PROCEDURES	0.5711	20.8	17.3
37	8 ORBITAL PROCEDURES	0.5711	20.8	17.3
38	8 PRIMARY IRIS PROCEDURES	0.5711	20.8	17.3
39	*LENS PROCEDURES WITH OR WITHOUT VITRECTOMY	0.5711	20.8	17.3
40	*EXTRAOCULAR PROCEDURES EXCEPT ORBIT AGE >17	0.5711	20.8	17.3
41	*EXTRAOCULAR PROCEDURES EXCEPT ORBIT AGE 0-17	0.5711	20.8	17.3
42	8 INTRAOCULAR PROCEDURES EXCEPT RETINA, IRIS & LENS	0.5711	20.8	17.3
43	8 HYPHEMA	0.5711	20.8	17.3
44	1 ACUTE MAJOR EYE INFECTIONS	0.5711	20.8	17.3
45	® NEUROLOGICAL EYE DISORDERS	0.7347	23.1	19.2
46	² OTHER DISORDERS OF THE EYE AGE >17 W CC	0.7347	23.1	19.2

TABLE 11.—PROPOSED LTC-DRGS RELATIVE WEIGHTS AND GEOMETRIC AND FIVE-SIXTHS OF THE AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY—FY 2004—Continued

OTHER DISORDERS OF THE EYE AGE 17 WO CC	LTC- DRG	Description	Relative weight	Geo-metric average length of stay	5/6ths of the aver- age length of stay
## OTHER DISORDERS OF THE EYE AGE 0-17	47	¹ OTHER DISORDERS OF THE EYE AGE >17 W/O CC	0.5711	20.8	17.3
MAJOR HEAD & NECK PROCEDURES 1,4090 34.1 28.4					
SALIVARY GLAND PROCEDURES EXCEPT SIALOADENCTOMY 0.9785 27.4 22.8					
CLEFT LIP & PALATE REPAIR 0.0785 27.4 22.8	50		0.9785	27.4	22.8
2 SINUS & MASTOID PROCEDURES AGE >17	51		0.9785	27.4	22.8
54 SINUS & MASTOID PROCEDURES AGE 0-17		8 CLEFT LIP & PALATE REPAIR			
656 *MISCELLANEOUS EAR, NOSE, MOUTH & THROAT PROCEDURES 1.8973 4.13 34.4 577 *TAA PROC, EXCEPT TONSILLECTOMY AIOR ADENOIDECTOMY ONLY, AGE 17 0.9785 27.4 22.8 578 *TAA PROC, EXCEPT TONSILLECTOMY AIOR ADENOIDECTOMY ONLY, AGE 17 0.9785 27.4 22.8 599 *TONSILLECTOMY & OR ADENOIDECTOMY ONLY, AGE 17 0.9785 27.4 22.8 590 *TONSILLECTOMY & OR ADENOIDECTOMY ONLY, AGE 17 0.9785 27.4 22.8 61 *MYRINGOTOMY UT DIE INSERTION AGE 17 1.09785 27.4 22.8 62 *MYRINGOTOMY UT DIE INSERTION AGE 17 0.9785 27.4 22.8 64 *EAR, NOSE, MOUTH & THROAT OR, PROCEDURES 0.9785 27.4 22.8 64 *IERISTANIS 0.9785 27.4 22.8 65 *DYSCOULIBRIUM 1.2957 27.9 23.2 66 *IERISTANIS 0.5711 20.8 17.3 67 *PROCULIBRIUM 1.0571 20.8 17.3 68 *IOTTINIS MEDIA & URI NGE 8-17 W CC. 0.0771				_	· ·
Section Sect	-	*SINUS & MASTOID PROCEDURES AGE 0-17			_
*TAA PROC, EXCEPT TONSILLECTOMY & ADENOIDECTOMY ONLY, AGE >17				_	_
**TAA PROC, EXCEPT TONSILLECTOMY & JOR ADENOIDECTOMY ONLY, AGE -17		878 A DDOC EYCEDT TONGILLECTOMY 8/OD ADENOIDECTOMY ONLY AGE >17			
*TONSILLECTOMY & JOR ADENOIDECTOMY ONLY, AGE -17	-			l .	
**TONSILLECTOMY & OR ADENOIDECTOMY ONLY, AGE 0-17					_
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LTC- DRG	Description	Relative weight	Geo-metric average length of stay	5/6ths of the aver- age length of stay
116	⁵ OTH PERM CARD PACEMAK IMPL OR PTCA W CORONARY ARTERY STENT IMPLNT	1.9873	41.3	34.4
117	³ CARDIAC PACEMAKER REVISION EXCEPT DEVICE REPLACEMENT	0.9785	27.4	22.8
118	5 CARDIAC PACEMAKER DEVICE REPLACEMENT	1.9873	41.3	34.4
119 120	3 VEIN LIGATION & STRIPPING	0.9785 1.2476	27.4 34.1	22.8 28.4
120	CIRCULATORY DISORDERS W AMI & MAJOR COMP, DISCHARGED ALIVE	0.7531	21.9	18.2
122	CIRCULATORY DISORDERS W AMI W/O MAJOR COMP, DISCHARGED ALIVE	0.6915	20.0	16.6
123	CIRCULATORY DISORDERS W AMI, EXPIRED	0.8856	19.0	15.8
124	⁴ CIRCULATORY DISORDERS EXCEPT AMI, W CARD CATH & COMPLEX DIAG	1.4090	34.1	28.4
125	4 CIRCULATORY DISORDERS EXCEPT AMI, W CARD CATH W/O COMPLEX DIAG	1.4090	34.1	28.4
126 127	ACUTE & SUBACUTE ENDOCARDITIS	0.8902 0.7968	25.7 21.9	21.4 18.2
128	1 DEEP VEIN THROMBOPHLEBITIS	0.5711	20.8	17.3
129	CARDIAC ARREST, UNEXPLAINED	1.4170	28.5	23.7
130	PERIPHERAL VASCULAR DISORDERS W CC	0.8207	25.0	20.8
131	PERIPHERAL VASCULAR DISORDERS W/O CC	0.6269	22.4	18.6
132	ATHEROSCLEROSIS W CC	0.8211	22.5	18.7
133 134	ATHEROSCLEROSIS W/O CC	0.7264 0.8971	22.6 28.4	18.8 23.6
135	CARDIAC CONGENITAL & VALVULAR DISORDERS AGE >17 W CC	0.9873	23.8	19.8
136	CARDIAC CONGENITAL & VALVULAR DISORDERS AGE >17 W/O CC	0.7492	22.9	19.0
137	8 CARDIAC CONGENITAL & VALVULAR DISORDERS AGE 0-17	0.7347	23.1	19.2
138	CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIA & CONDUCTION DISORDERS W CC	0.9390	25.2	21.0
139	CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIA & CONDUCTION DISORDERS W/O CC	0.6224	21.9	18.2
140 141	ANGINA PECTORIS	0.6056 0.6735	19.3 23.3	16.0 19.4
141	SYNCOPE & COLLAPSE W/O CC	0.5149	20.5	17.0
143	CHEST PAIN	0.7317	21.9	18.2
144	OTHER CIRCULATORY SYSTEM DIAGNOSES W CC	0.8588	22.9	19.0
145	OTHER CIRCULATORY SYSTEM DIAGNOSES W/O CC	0.7001	21.4	17.8
146	*RECTAL RESECTION W CC	1.9873	41.3	34.4
147 148	8 RECTAL RESECTION W/O CCMAJOR SMALL & LARGE BOWEL PROCEDURES W CC	1.9873 1.9660	41.3 36.8	34.4 30.6
149	1 MAJOR SMALL & LARGE BOWEL PROCEDURES W/O CC	0.5711	20.8	17.3
150	⁴ PERITONEAL ADHESIOLYSIS W CC	1.4090	34.1	28.4
151	8 PERITONEAL ADHESIOLYSIS W/O CC	1.4090	34.1	28.4
152	⁴ MINOR SMALL & LARGE BOWEL PROCEDURES W CC	1.4090	34.1	28.4
153	8 MINOR SMALL & LARGE BOWEL PROCEDURES W/O CC	1.4090 1.9873	34.1	28.4
154 155	⁵ STOMACH, ESOPHAGEAL & DUODENAL PROCEDURES AGE >17 W CC	1.9873	41.3 41.3	34.4 34.4
156	8 STOMACH, ESOPHAGEAL & DUODENAL PROCEDURES AGE 0-17	1.9873	41.3	34.4
157	8 ANAL & STOMAL PROCEDURES W CC	1.4090	34.1	28.4
158	³ ANAL & STOMAL PROCEDURES W/O CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
159	8 HERNIA PROCEDURES EXCEPT INGUINAL & FEMORAL AGE >17 W CC	1.4090	34.1	28.4
160	8 HERNIA PROCEDURES EXCEPT INGUINAL & FEMORAL AGE >17 W/O CC	1.4090	34.1	28.4
161 162	4INGUINAL & FEMORAL HERNIA PROCEDURES AGE >17 W CC	1.4090 0.5711	34.1 20.8	28.4 17.3
163	8 HERNIA PROCEDURES AGE 0-17	0.5711	20.8	17.3
164	8 APPENDECTOMY W COMPLICATED PRINCIPAL DIAG W CC	1.9873	41.3	34.4
165	8 APPENDECTOMY W COMPLICATED PRINCIPAL DIAG W/O CC	0.5711	20.8	17.3
166	8 APPENDECTOMY W/O COMPLICATED PRINCIPAL DIAG W CC	1.9873	41.3	34.4
167	8 APPENDECTOMY W/O COMPLICATED PRINCIPAL DIAG W/O CC	0.5711	20.8	17.3
168	⁵ MOUTH PROCEDURES W CC	1.9873	41.3	34.4
169 170	OTHER DIGESTIVE SYSTEM O.R. PROCEDURES W CC	0.5711 1.7827	20.8 42.2	17.3 35.1
171	OTHER DIGESTIVE SYSTEM O.R. PROCEDURES W/O CC	1.7827	42.2	35.1
172	DIGESTIVE MALIGNANCY W CC	0.8857	22.4	18.6
173	DIGESTIVE MALIGNANCY W/O CC	0.7843	21.9	18.2
174	G.I. HEMORRHAGE W CC	0.8741	24.8	20.6
175 176	G.I. HEMORRHAGE W/O CC	0.6770	21.8	18.1
176 177	COMPLICATED PEPTIC ULCER	0.7835 0.7347	20.6 23.1	17.1 19.2
177	1 UNCOMPLICATED PEPTIC ULCER W/O CC	0.7347	20.8	17.3
179	INFLAMMATORY BOWEL DISEASE	1.0317	26.2	21.8
180	G.I. OBSTRUCTION W CC	0.9491	24.2	20.1
181	G.I. OBSTRUCTION W/O CC	0.7694	21.2	17.6
182	ESOPHAGITIS, GASTROENT & MISC DIGEST DISORDERS AGE >17 W CC	0.9666	25.5	21.2
183	ESOPHAGITIS, GASTROENT & MISC DIGEST DISORDERS AGE >17 W/O CC	0.7038	22.4	18.6

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LTC- DRG	Description	Relative weight	Geo-metric average length of stay	5/6ths of the aver- age length of stay
184	⁸ ESOPHAGITIS, GASTROENT & MISC DIGEST DISORDERS AGE 0-17	0.7347	23.1	19.2
185	DENTAL & ORAL DIS EXCEPT EXTRACTIONS & RESTORATIONS, AGE >17	0.6932	24.6	20.5
186	8 DENTAL & ORAL DIS EXCEPT EXTRACTIONS & RESTORATIONS, AGE 0-17	0.7347	23.1	19.2
187	8 DENTAL EXTRACTIONS & RESTORATIONS	0.7347	23.1	19.2
188	OTHER DIGESTIVE SYSTEM DIAGNOSES AGE >17 W CC	1.0481	26.0	21.6
189 190	OTHER DIGESTIVE SYSTEM DIAGNOSES AGE >17 W/O CC	0.8501 0.7347	23.5 23.1	19.5 19.2
191	4PANCREAS, LIVER & SHUNT PROCEDURES W CC	1.4090	34.1	28.4
192	¹PANCREAS, LIVER & SHUNT PROCEDURES W/O CC	0.5711	20.8	17.3
193	² BILIARY TRACT PROC EXCEPT ONLY CHOLECYST W OR W/O C.D.E. W CC	0.7347	23.1	19.2
194	² BILIARY TRACT PROC EXCEPT ONLY CHOLECYST W OR W/O C.D.E. W/O CC	0.7347	23.1	19.2
195	⁴ CHOLECYSTECTOMY W C.D.E. W CC	1.4090	34.1	28.4
196	8 CHOLECYSTECTOMY W C.D.E. W/O CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
197 198	3 CHOLECYSTECTOMY EXCEPT BY LAPAROSCOPE W/O C.D.E. W CC	0.9785	27.4 27.4	22.8 22.8
196	8 HEPATOBILIARY DIAGNOSTIC PROCEDURE FOR MALIGNANCY	0.9785 0.7347	27.4	19.2
200	² HEPATOBILIARY DIAGNOSTIC PROCEDURE FOR NON-MALIGNANCY	0.7347	23.1	19.2
201	5 OTHER HEPATOBILIARY OR PANCREAS O.R. PROCEDURES	1.9873	41.3	34.4
202	CIRRHOSIS & ALCOHOLIC HEPATITIS	0.7529	22.7	18.9
203	MALIGNANCY OF HEPATOBILIARY SYSTEM OR PANCREAS	0.6801	19.2	16.0
204	DISORDERS OF PANCREAS EXCEPT MALIGNANCY	1.0141	23.4	19.5
205	DISORDERS OF LIVER EXCEPT MALIG, CIRR, ALC HEPA W CC	0.7334	22.3	18.5
206	² DISORDERS OF LIVER EXCEPT MALIG,CIRR,ALC HEPA W/O CC	0.7347	23.1	19.2
207	DISORDERS OF THE BILIARY TRACT W CC	0.7940	22.1	18.4
208 209	² DISORDERS OF THE BILIARY TRACT W/O CC5 MAJOR JOINT & LIMB REATTACHMENT PROCEDURES OF LOWER EXTREMITY	0.7347 1.9873	23.1	19.2 34.4
209	4HIP & FEMUR PROCEDURES EXCEPT MAJOR JOINT AGE >17 W CC	1.4090	41.3 34.1	28.4
211	² HIP & FEMUR PROCEDURES EXCEPT MAJOR JOINT AGE >17 W/O CC	0.7347	23.1	19.2
212	8 HIP & FEMUR PROCEDURES EXCEPT MAJOR JOINT AGE 0-17	0.7347	23.1	19.2
213	AMPUTATION FOR MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM & CONN TISSUE DISORDERS	1.3912	34.9	29.0
216	⁵ BIOPSIES OF MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM & CONNECTIVE TISSUE	1.9873	41.3	34.4
217	WND DEBRID & SKN GRFT EXCEPT HAND,FOR MUSCSKELET & CONN TISS DIS	1.4438	39.3	32.7
218	3 LOWER EXTREM & HUMER PROC EXCEPT HIP, FOOT, FEMUR AGE >17 W CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
219	8 LOWER EXTREM & HUMER PROC EXCEPT HIP, FOOT, FEMUR AGE >17 W/O CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
220 223	8 LOWER EXTREM & HUMER PROC EXCEPT HIP,FOOT,FEMUR AGE 0-17	0.9785 0.9785	27.4 27.4	22.8 22.8
223	8 SHOULDER, ELBOW OR FOREARM PROC, EXC MAJOR JOINT PROC, W/O CC	0.9763	27.4	19.2
225	FOOT PROCEDURES	0.8912	26.7	22.2
226	4 SOFT TISSUE PROCEDURES W CC	1.4090	34.1	28.4
227	³ SOFT TISSUE PROCEDURES W/O CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
228	³ MAJOR THUMB OR JOINT PROC,OR OTH HAND OR WRIST PROC W CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
229	8 HAND OR WRIST PROC, EXCEPT MAJOR JOINT PROC, W/O CC	0.7347	23.1	19.2
230	⁴ LOCAL EXCISION & REMOVAL OF INT FIX DEVICES OF HIP & FEMUR	1.4090	34.1	28.4
232	² ARTHROSCOPY	0.7347	23.1	19.2
233	OTHER MUSCULOSKELET SYS & CONN TISS O.R. PROC W CC	0.9797 0.7347	28.5	23.7
234 235	FRACTURES OF FEMUR	0.7347	23.1 29.7	19.2 24.7
236	FRACTURES OF HIP & PELVIS	0.7598	27.2	22.6
237	² SPRAINS, STRAINS, & DISLOCATIONS OF HIP, PELVIS & THIGH	0.7347	23.1	19.2
238	OSTEOMYELITIS	0.8818	28.5	23.7
239	PATHOLOGICAL FRACTURES & MUSCULOSKELETAL & CONN TISS MALIGNANCY	0.6892	22.4	18.6
240	CONNECTIVE TISSUE DISORDERS W CC	0.7118	21.4	17.8
241	CONNECTIVE TISSUE DISORDERS W/O CC	0.4744	19.4	16.1
242	SEPTIC ARTHRITIS	0.7814	26.2	21.8
243	MEDICAL BACK PROBLEMS	0.6867	23.5	19.5
244	BONE DISEASES & SPECIFIC ARTHROPATHIES W CC	0.5664 0.5134	20.1	16.7
245 246	NON-SPECIFIC ARTHROPATHIES W/O CC	0.5154	19.5 23.0	16.2 19.1
240	SIGNS & SYMPTOMS OF MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM & CONN TISSUE	0.5556	23.0	17.8
248	TENDONITIS, MYOSITIS & BURSITIS	0.7623	24.9	20.7
249	AFTERCARE, MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM & CONNECTIVE TISSUE	0.8101	27.3	22.7
250	FX, SPRN, STRN & DISL OF FOREARM, HAND, FOOT AGE >17 W CC	0.8309	30.1	25.0
251	FX, SPRN, STRN & DISL OF FOREARM, HAND, FOOT AGE >17 W/O CC	0.6031	26.7	22.2
252	8 FX, SPRN, STRN & DISL OF FOREARM, HAND, FOOT AGE 0-17	0.7347	23.1	19.2
253	FX, SPRN, STRN & DISL OF UPARM,LOWLEG EX FOOT AGE >17 W CC	0.8406	27.1	22.5
254 255	FX, SPRN, STRN & DISL OF UPARM,LOWLEG EX FOOT AGE >17 W/O CC8FX, SPRN, STRN & DISL OF UPARM,LOWLEG EX FOOT AGE 0-17	0.7028	25.8	21.5
	PEX SPRN STRN & DIST OF HPARM LOW/LEG EX FOOT AGE 0-17	0.7347	23.1	19.2

TABLE 11.—PROPOSED LTC-DRGS RELATIVE WEIGHTS AND GEOMETRIC AND FIVE-SIXTHS OF THE AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY—FY 2004—Continued

LTC- DRG	Description	Relative weight	Geo-metric average length of	5/6ths of the aver- age length
			stay	of stay
257	³ TOTAL MASTECTOMY FOR MALIGNANCY W CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
258	8 TOTAL MASTECTOMY FOR MALIGNANCY W/O CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
259	8 SUBTOTAL MASTECTOMY FOR MALIGNANCY W CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
260	8 SUBTOTAL MASTECTOMY FOR MALIGNANCY W/O CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
261	⁵ BREAST PROC FOR NON-MALIGNANCY EXCEPT BIOPSY & LOCAL EXCISION	1.9873	41.3	34.4
262	BREAST BIOPSY & LOCAL EXCISION FOR NON-MALIGNANCY	0.5711	20.8	17.3
263	SKIN GRAFT &/OR DEBRID FOR SKN ULCER OR CELLULITIS W CC	1.4696	41.1	34.2
264	SKIN GRAFT &/OR DEBRID FOR SKN ULCER OR CELLULITIS W/O CC	1.2160	39.9	33.2
265	7 SKIN GRAFT &/OR DEBRID EXCEPT FOR SKIN ULCER OR CELLULITIS W CC	1.2294	34.7	28.9
266	7 SKIN GRAFT &/OR DEBRID EXCEPT FOR SKIN ULCER OR CELLULITIS W/O CC	1.2294	34.7	28.9
267	8 PERIANAL & PILONIDAL PROCEDURES	0.5711	20.8	17.3
268 269	OTHER SKIN, SUBCUT TISS & BREAST PROC W CC	1.4090 1.5232	34.1	28.4
269 270	OTHER SKIN, SUBCUT TISS & BREAST PROC W CC	1.0105	45.2 35.9	37.6 29.9
271	SKIN ULCERS	0.9795	29.9	24.9
272	MAJOR SKIN DISORDERS W CC	0.7163	22.7	18.9
273	1 MAJOR SKIN DISORDERS W/O CC	0.5711	20.8	17.3
274	MALIGNANT BREAST DISORDERS W CC	0.9469	24.9	20.7
275	² MALIGNANT BREAST DISORDERS W/O CC	0.7347	23.1	19.2
276	¹NON-MALIGANT BREAST DISORDERS	0.5711	20.8	17.3
277	CELLULITIS AGE >17 W CC	0.7762	24.1	20.0
278	CELLULITIS AGE >17 W OC	0.6373	21.6	18.0
279	CELLULITIS AGE 0-178	0.5711	20.8	17.3
280	TRAUMA TO THE SKIN, SUBCUT TISS & BREAST AGE >17 W CC	0.9719	29.3	24.4
281	TRAUMA TO THE SKIN, SUBCUT TISS & BREAST AGE >17 W/O CC	0.7915	27.8	23.1
282	8 TRAUMA TO THE SKIN, SUBCUT TISS & BREAST AGE 0-17	0.7347	23.1	19.2
283	MINOR SKIN DISORDERS W CC	0.6998	20.7	17.2
284	MINOR SKIN DISORDERS W/O CC	0.6259	23.0	19.1
285	AMPUTAT OF LOWER LIMB FOR ENDOCRINE, NUTRIT, & METABOL DISORDERS	1.5856	38.6	32.1
286	ADRENAL & PITUITARY PROCEDURES8	1.4090	34.1	28.4
287	SKIN GRAFTS & WOUND DEBRID FOR ENDOC, NUTRIT & METAB DISORDERS	1.4793	41.7	34.7
288	5 O.R. PROCEDURES FOR OBESITY	1.9873	41.3	34.4
289	8 PARATHYROID PROCEDURES	0.9785	27.4	22.8
290	8 THYROID PROCEDURES	0.9785	27.4	22.8
291	8 THYROGLOSSAL PROCEDURES	0.9785	27.4	22.8
292	OTHER ENDOCRINE, NUTRIT & METAB O.R. PROC W CC	1.5633	35.8	29.8
293	3 OTHER ENDOCRINE, NUTRIT & METAB O.R. PROC W/O CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
294	DIABETES AGE >35	0.8729	26.6	22.1
295	³ DIABETES AGE 0-35	0.9785	27.4	22.8
296	NUTRITIONAL & MISC METABOLIC DISORDERS AGE >17 W CC	0.9560	26.3	21.9
297	NUTRITIONAL & MISC METABOLIC DISORDERS AGE >17 W/O CC	0.7552	26.4	22.0
298	8 NUTRITIONAL & MISC METABOLIC DISORDERS AGE 0-17	0.7347	23.1	19.2
299	² INBORN ERRORS OF METABOLISM	0.7347	23.1	19.2
300	ENDOCRINE DISORDERS W CC	0.8175	23.9	19.9
301	ENDOCRINE DISORDERS W/O CC	0.7287	22.9	19.0
302	6 KIDNEY TRANSPLANT	0.0000	0.0	0.0
303	8 KIDNEY,URETER & MAJOR BLADDER PROCEDURES FOR NEOPLASM	1.9873	41.3	34.4
304		1.9873	41.3	34.4
305	1 KIDNEY, URETER & MAJOR BLADDER PROC FOR NON-NEOPL W/O CC	0.5711	20.8	17.3
306	PROSTATECTOMY W CC 8 PROSTATECTOMY W/O CC 8 P	1.4090 1.4090	34.1	28.4
307	⁴ MINOR BLADDER PROCEDURES W CC		34.1	28.4
308 309	² MINOR BLADDER PROCEDURES W/O CC	1.4090 0.7347	34.1 23.1	28.4
310	4TRANSURETHRAL PROCEDURES W.C.C	1.4090	34.1	19.2 28.4
311	¹TRANSURETHRAL PROCEDURES W/O CC	0.5711	20.8	17.3
312	⁴ URETHRAL PROCEDURES, AGE >17 W CC	1.4090	34.1	28.4
313	*URETHRAL PROCEDURES, AGE >17 W OC	0.5711	20.8	17.3
314	*URETHRAL PROCEDURES, AGE 0-17	0.5711	20.8	17.3
315	OTHER KIDNEY & URINARY TRACT O.R. PROCEDURES	1.5690	36.4	30.3
316	RENAL FAILURE	0.9869	24.5	20.4
317	3 ADMIT FOR RENAL DIALYSIS	0.9869	27.4	22.8
318	KIDNEY & URINARY TRACT NEOPLASMS W CC	0.7466	21.7	18.0
319	¹KIDNEY & URINARY TRACT NEOPLASMS W/O CC	0.5711	20.8	17.3
320	KIDNEY & URINARY TRACT INFECTIONS AGE >17 W CC	0.7744	23.5	17.5
321	KIDNEY & URINARY TRACT INFECTIONS AGE >17 W/O CC	0.6641	23.0	19.1
322	8 KIDNEY & URINARY TRACT INFECTIONS AGE 0-17	0.7347	23.1	19.2
323	² URINARY STONES W CC, &/OR ESW LITHOTRIPSY	0.7347	23.1	19.2
324	² URINARY STONES W/O CC	0.7347	23.1	19.2

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LTC- DRG	Description	Relative weight	Geo-metric average length of stay	5/6ths of the aver- age length of stay
325	KIDNEY & URINARY TRACT SIGNS & SYMPTOMS AGE >17 W CC	0.8854	27.2	22.6
326	KIDNEY & URINARY TRACT SIGNS & SYMPTOMS AGE >17 W/O CC	0.7590	24.7	20.5
327	8 KIDNEY & URINARY TRACT SIGNS & SYMPTOMS AGE 0-17	0.7347	23.1	19.2
328	1 URETHRAL STRICTURE AGE >17 W CC	0.5711	20.8	17.3
329	8 URETHRAL STRICTURE AGE >17 W/O CC	0.5711	20.8	17.3
330 331	8 URETHRAL STRICTURE AGE 0-17	0.5711 0.8847	20.8 23.8	17.3 19.8
332	OTHER KIDNEY & URINARY TRACT DIAGNOSES AGE >17 W/O CC	0.6201	22.1	18.4
333	OTHER KIDNEY & URINARY TRACT DIAGNOSES AGE 0-17	0.5711	20.8	17.3
334	8 MAJOR MALE PELVIC PROCEDURES W CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
335	8 MAJOR MALE PELVIC PROCEDURES W/O CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
336	8 TRANSURETHRAL PROSTATECTOMY W CC	0.7347	23.1	19.2
337	*TRANSURETHRAL PROSTATECTOMY W/O CC	0.7347	23.1	19.2
338 339	8TESTES PROCEDURES, FOR MALIGNANCY	0.5711 0.5711	20.8 20.8	17.3 17.3
340	8 TESTES PROCEDURES, NON-MALIGNANCY AGE 0-17	0.5711	20.8	17.3
341	² PENIS PROCEDURES	0.7347	23.1	17.3
342	¹ CIRCUMCISION AGE >17	0.5711	20.8	17.3
343	8 CIRCUMCISION AGE 0-17	0.5711	20.8	17.3
344	² OTHER MALE REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM O.R. PROCEDURES FOR MALIGNANCY	0.7347	23.1	19.2
345	³ OTHER MALE REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM O.R. PROC EXCEPT FOR MALIGNANCY	0.9785	27.4	22.8
346	7 MALIGNANCY, MALE REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM, W CC	0.7787	22.3	18.5
347 348	7 MALIGNANCY, MALE REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM, W/O CC	0.7787 0.5711	22.3 20.8	18.5
349	1 BENIGN PROSTATIC HYPERTROPHY W/O CC	0.5711	20.8	17.3 17.3
350	INFLAMMATION OF THE MALE REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM	1.1947	25.6	21.3
351	8 STERILIZATION, MALE	0.5711	20.8	17.3
352	³ OTHER MALE REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM DIAGNOSES	0.9785	27.4	22.8
353	8 PELVIC EVISCERATION, RADICAL HYSTERECTOMY & RADICAL VULVECTOMY	1.9873	41.3	34.4
354	*UTERINE,ADNEXA PROC FOR NON-OVARIAN/ADNEXAL MALIG W CC	1.9873	41.3	34.4
355	8 UTERINE, ADNEXA PROC FOR NON-OVARIAN/ADNEXAL MALIG W/O CC	1.9873	41.3	34.4
356	8 FEMALE REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM RECONSTRUCTIVE PROCEDURES	1.4090	34.1	28.4
357 358	8 UTERINE & ADNEXA PROC FOR OVARIAN OR ADNEXAL MALIGNANCY	1.4090 1.4090	34.1 34.1	28.4 28.4
359	8 UTERINE & ADNEXA PROC FOR NON-MALIGNANCY W/O CC	1.4090	34.1	28.4
360	4VAGINA, CERVIX & VULVA PROCEDURES	1.4090	34.1	28.4
361	*LAPAROSCOPY & INCISIONAL TUBAL INTERRUPTION	0.5711	20.8	17.3
362	*ENDOSCOPIC TUBAL INTERRUPTION	0.5711	20.8	17.3
363	⁸ D&C, CONIZATION & RADIO-IMPLANT, FOR MALIGNANCY	0.7347	23.1	19.2
364	8 D&C, CONIZATION EXCEPT FOR MALIGNANCY	0.7347	23.1	19.2
365	OTHER FEMALE REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM O.R. PROCEDURES	1.9873	41.3	34.4
366 367	2 MALIGNANCY, FEMALE REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM W/O CC	0.8153 0.7347	23.0 23.1	19.1 19.2
368	INFECTIONS, FEMALE REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM	0.6911	20.1	16.7
369	³ MENSTRUAL & OTHER FEMALE REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM DISORDERS	0.9785	27.4	22.8
370	8 CESAREAN SECTION W CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
371	8 CESAREAN SECTION W/O CC	0.7347	23.1	19.2
372	8 VAGINAL DELIVERY W COMPLICATING DIAGNOSES	0.7347	23.1	19.2
373	8 VAGINAL DELIVERY W/O COMPLICATING DIAGNOSES	0.7347	23.1	19.2
374	8 VAGINAL DELIVERY W STERILIZATION &/OR D&C8 VAGINAL DELIVERY W O.R. PROC EXCEPT STERIL &/OR D&C	0.7347	23.1	19.2
375 376	POSTPARTUM & POST ABORTION DIAGNOSES W/O O.R. PROCEDURE	0.7347 0.5711	23.1 20.8	19.2 17.3
377	8 POSTPARTUM & POST ABORTION DIAGNOSES W O.R. PROCEDURE	0.7347	23.1	17.3
378	* ECTOPIC PREGNANCY	0.9785	27.4	22.8
379	8THREATENED ABORTION	0.5711	20.8	17.3
380	8 ABORTION W/O D&C	0.5711	20.8	17.3
381	8 ABORTION W D&C, ASPIRATION CURETTAGE OR HYSTEROTOMY	0.5711	20.8	17.3
382	8 FALSE LABOR	0.5711	20.8	17.3
383	8 OTHER ANTERARTUM DIAGNOSES W MEDICAL COMPLICATIONS	0.5711	20.8	17.3
384 385	8 OTHER ANTEPARTUM DIAGNOSES W/O MEDICAL COMPLICATIONS	0.5711 0.5711	20.8	17.3 17.3
386	*EXTREME IMMATURITY	0.5711	20.8 23.1	17.3
387	8 PREMATURITY W MAJOR PROBLEMS	0.7347	23.1	19.2
388	8 PREMATURITY W/O MAJOR PROBLEMS	0.7347	23.1	19.2
389	8 FULL TERM NEONATE W MAJOR PROBLEMS	0.7347	23.1	19.2
390	8 NEONATE W OTHER SIGNIFICANT PROBLEMS	0.7347	23.1	19.2
391	8 NORMAL NEWBORN	0.5711	20.8	17.3
392	8 SPLENECTOMY AGE >17	0.7347	23.1	19.2

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LTC- DRG	Description	Relative weight	Geo-metric average length of stay	5/6ths of the aver- age length of stay
393	*SPLENECTOMY AGE 0-17	0.7347	23.1	19.2
394	³ OTHER O.R. PROCEDURES OF THE BLOOD AND BLOOD FORMING ORGANS4	1.4090	34.1	28.4
395 396	RED BLOOD CELL DISORDERS AGE >17	0.9050 0.5711	26.8 20.8	22.3 17.3
397	COAGULATION DISORDERS	1.0816	25.2	21.0
398	RETICULOENDOTHELIAL & IMMUNITY DISORDERS W CC	0.9248	23.0	19.1
399	¹ RETICULOENDOTHELIAL & IMMUNITY DISORDERS W/O CC	0.5711	20.8	17.3
401	5 LYMPHOMA & NON-ACUTE LEUKEMIA W OTHER O.R. PROC W CC	1.9873	41.3	34.4
402 403	3 LYMPHOMA & NON-ACUTE LEUKEMIA W OTHER O.R. PROC W/O CC	0.9785 0.9099	27.4 22.7	22.8 18.9
404	LYMPHOMA & NON-ACUTE LEUKEMIA W/O CC	0.7410	17.9	14.9
405	8 ACUTE LEUKEMIA W/O MAJOR O.R. PROCEDURE AGE 0-17	0.7347	23.1	19.2
406	⁵ MYELOPROLIF DISORD OR POORLY DIFF NEOPL W MAJ O.R.PROC W CC	1.9873	41.3	34.4
407	8 MYELOPROLIF DISORD OR POORLY DIFF NEOPL W MAJ O.R.PROC W/O CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
408 409	RADIOTHERAPY	0.9785 0.8961	27.4 25.1	22.8 20.9
410	3 CHEMOTHERAPY W/O ACUTE LEUKEMIA AS SECONDARY DIAGNOSIS	0.9785	27.4	22.8
411	³ HISTORY OF MALIGNANCY W/O ENDOSCOPY	0.9785	27.4	22.8
412	⁵ HISTORY OF MALIGNANCY W ENDOSCOPY	1.9873	41.3	34.4
413	OTHER MYELOPROLIF DIS OR POORLY DIFF NEOPL DIAG W CC	0.9603	25.2	21.0
414 415	2 OTHER MYELOPROLIF DIS OR POORLY DIFF NEOPL DIAG W/O CC	0.7347 1.7239	23.1 40.9	19.2 34.0
416	SEPTICEMIA AGE >17	0.9553	25.2	21.0
417	8 SEPTICEMIA AGE 0-17	0.9785	27.4	22.8
418	POSTOPERATIVE & POST-TRAUMATIC INFECTIONS	0.8612	25.3	21.0
419	³ FEVER OF UNKNOWN ORIGIN AGE >17 W CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
420 421	FEVER OF UNKNOWN ORIGIN AGE >17 W/O CC VIRAL ILLNESS AGE >17	0.5711 0.7347	20.8	17.3 19.2
422	8 VIRAL ILLNESS & FEVER OF UNKNOWN ORIGIN AGE 0-17	0.7347	20.8	17.3
423	OTHER INFECTIOUS & PARASITIC DISEASES DIAGNOSES	0.9930	25.9	21.5
424	O.R. PROCEDURE W PRINCIPAL DIAGNOSES OF MENTAL ILLNESS	1.2281	44.2	36.8
425	ACUTE ADJUSTMENT REACTION & PSYCHOLOGICAL DYSFUNCTION	0.6040	26.9	22.4
426 427	DEPRESSIVE NEUROSES	0.5583 1.4090	23.3 34.1	19.4 28.4
427	¹ DISORDERS OF PERSONALITY & IMPULSE CONTROL	0.5711	20.8	17.3
429	ORGANIC DISTURBANCES & MENTAL RETARDATION	0.6562	27.4	22.8
430	PSYCHOSES	0.4808	22.6	18.8
431	¹ CHILDHOOD MENTAL DISORDERS	0.5711	20.8	17.3
432	1 OTHER MENTAL DISORDER DIAGNOSES	0.5711	20.8	17.3
433 439	SKIN GRAFTS FOR INJURIES	0.3416 1.4429	14.6 41.2	12.1 34.3
440	WOUND DEBRIDEMENTS FOR INJURIES	1.6794	39.4	32.8
441	⁵ HAND PROCEDURES FOR INJURIES	1.9873	41.3	34.4
442	OTHER O.R. PROCEDURES FOR INJURIES W CC	1.6280	46.4	38.6
443	3 OTHER O.R. PROCEDURES FOR INJURIES W/O CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
444 445	TRAUMATIC INJURY AGE >17 W CC	0.9311 0.8278	30.7 27.3	25.5 22.7
446	8 TRAUMATIC INJURY AGE 0-17	0.7347	23.1	19.2
447	³ ALLERGIC REACTIONS AGE >17	0.9785	27.4	22.8
448	8 ALLERGIC REACTIONS AGE 0-17	0.5711	20.8	17.3
449	3 POISONING & TOXIC EFFECTS OF DRUGS AGE >17 W CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
450 451	8 POISONING & TOXIC EFFECTS OF DRUGS AGE >17 W/O CC	0.9785 0.5711	27.4 20.8	22.8 17.3
452	COMPLICATIONS OF TREATMENT W CC	0.9830	25.5	21.2
453	COMPLICATIONS OF TREATMENT W/O CC	0.8894	25.5	21.2
454	² OTHER INJURY, POISONING & TOXIC EFFECT DIAG W CC	0.7347	23.1	19.2
455	1 OTHER INJURY, POISONING & TOXIC EFFECT DIAG W/O CC	0.5711	20.8	17.3
461 462	O.R. PROC W DIAGNOSES OF OTHER CONTACT W HEALTH SERVICES	1.4214 0.6528	36.6 22.7	30.5 18.9
463	SIGNS & SYMPTOMS W CC	0.7824	26.4	22.0
464	SIGNS & SYMPTOMS W/O CC	0.6259	25.2	21.0
465	¹ AFTERCARE W HISTORY OF MALIGNANCY AS SECONDARY DIAGNOSIS	0.5711	20.8	17.3
466	AFTERCARE W/O HISTORY OF MALIGNANCY AS SECONDARY DIAGNOSIS	0.7783	22.6	18.8
467 468	OTHER FACTORS INFLUENCING HEALTH STATUS	1.4773 2.0716	32.6	27.1
466 469	6 PRINCIPAL DIAGNOSIS INVALID AS DISCHARGE DIAGNOSIS	0.0000	43.7	36.4
470	6UNGROUPABLE	0.0000	0.0	0.0
471	5 BILATERAL OR MULTIPLE MAJOR JOINT PROCS OF LOWER EXTREMITY	1.9873	41.3	34.4

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473	² ACUTE LEUKEMIA W/O MAJOR O.R. PROCEDURE AGE >17	0.7347	23.1	19.2
475	RESPIRATORY SYSTEM DIAGNOSIS WITH VENTILATOR SUPPORT	2.0241	33.0	27.5
476	PROSTATIC O.R. PROCEDURE UNRELATED TO PRINCIPAL DIAGNOSIS	1.0056	32.9	27.4
477	NON-EXTENSIVE O.R. PROCEDURE UNRELATED TO PRINCIPAL DIAGNOSIS	1.8688	40.7	33.9
478	7 OTHER VASCULAR PROCEDURES W CC	1.3238	34.9	29.0
479	⁷ OTHER VASCULAR PROCEDURES W/O CC	1.3238	34.9	29.0
480	6 LIVER TRANSPLANT	0.0000	0.0	0.0
481	8 BONE MARROW TRANSPLANT	0.5711	20.8	17.3
482 483	5TRACHEOSTOMY FOR FACE,MOUTH & NECK DIAGNOSES	1.9873 3.1562	41.3 54.9	34.4 45.7
484	8 CRANIOTOMY FOR MULTIPLE SIGNIFICANT TRAUMA	1.9873	41.3	34.4
485	8 LIMB REATTACHMENT, HIP AND FEMUR PROC FOR MULTIPLE SIGNIFICANT TR	1.9873	41.3	34.4
486	4 OTHER O.R. PROCEDURES FOR MULTIPLE SIGNIFICANT TRAUMA	1.4090	34.1	28.4
487	OTHER MULTIPLE SIGNIFICANT TRAUMA	1.2653	33.2	27.6
488	5 HIV W EXTENSIVE O.R. PROCEDURE	1.9873	41.3	34.4
489	HIV W MAJOR RELATED CONDITION	0.9656	22.1	18.4
490	HIV W OR W/O OTHER RELATED CONDITION	0.7956	20.5	17.0
491	8 MAJOR JOINT & LIMB REATTACHMENT PROCEDURES OF UPPER EXTREMITY	1.9873	41.3	34.4
492	*CHEMOTHERAPY W ACUTE LEUKEMIA AS SECONDARY DIAGNOSIS OR W USE HIGH DOSE CHEMOTHERAPY AGENT.	0.9785	27.4	22.8
493	⁴ LAPAROSCOPIC CHOLECYSTECTOMY W/O C.D.E. W CC	1.4090	34.1	28.4
494	⁴ LAPAROSCOPIC CHOLECYSTECTOMY W/O C.D.E. W/O CC	1.4090	34.1	28.4
495 496	8 COMBINED ANTERIOR/POSTERIOR SPINAL FUSION	0.0000 1.4090	0.0	0.0 28.4
496 497	³ SPINAL FUSION W CC	0.9785	34.1 27.4	22.8
498	³ SPINAL FUSION W/O CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
499	5BACK & NECK PROCEDURES EXCEPT SPINAL FUSION W CC	1.9873	41.3	34.4
500	⁴ BACK & NECK PROCEDURES EXCEPT SPINAL FUSION W/O CC	1.4090	34.1	28.4
501	5 KNEE PROCEDURES W PDX OF INFECTION W CC	1.9873	41.3	34.4
502	² KNEE PROCEDURES W PDX OF INFECTION W/O CC	0.7347	23.1	19.2
503	3 KNEE PROCEDURES W/O PDX OF INFECTION	0.9785	27.4	22.8
504	8 EXTENSIVE 3RD DEGREE BURNS W SKIN GRAFT	1.9873	41.3	34.4
505	3 EXTENSIVE 3RD DEGREE BURNS W/O SKIN GRAFT	0.9785	27.4	22.8
506 507	2 FULL THICKNESS BURN W SKIN GRAFT OR INHAL INJ W CC OR SIG TRAUMA	0.7347 0.7347	23.1 23.1	19.2 19.2
508	² FULL THICKNESS BURN W/O SKIN GRFT OR INHAL INJ W CC OR SIG TRAUMA	0.7347	23.1	19.2
509	1 FULL THICKNESS BURN W/O SKIN GRFT OR INH INJ W/O CC OR SIG TRAUMA	0.5711	20.8	17.3
510	² NON-EXTENSIVE BURNS W CC OR SIGNIFICANT TRAUMA	0.7347	23.1	19.2
511	1 NON-EXTENSIVE BURNS W/O CC OR SIGNIFICANT TRAUMA	0.5711	20.8	17.3
512	6 SIMULTANEOUS PANCREAS/KIDNEY TRANSPLANT	0.0000	0.0	0.0
513	6PANCREAS TRANSPLANT	0.0000	0.0	0.0
515	⁵ CARDIAC DEFIBRILATOR IMPLANT W/O CARDIAC CATH	1.9873	41.3	34.4
516	8 PERCUTANEOUS CARDIVASCULAR PROCEDURE W AMI	0.9785	27.4	22.8
517 510	⁴ PERCUTANEOUS CARDIVASCULAR PROC W NON-DRUG ELUTING STENT W/O AMI ³ PERCUTANEOUS CARDIVASCULAR PROC W/O CORONARY ARTERY STENT OR AMI	1.4090 0.9785	34.1 27.4	28.4
518 519	4 CERVICAL SPINAL FUSION W CC	1.4090	34.1	22.8 28.4
520	8 CERVICAL SPINAL FUSION W/O CC	0.9785	27.4	22.8
521	ALCOHOL/DRUG ABUSE OR DEPENDENCE W CC	0.5064	20.9	17.4
522	ALCOHOL/DRUG ABUSE OR DEPENDENCE W REHABILITATION THERAPY W/O CC	0.4221	19.5	16.2
523	ALCOHOL/DRUG ABUSE OR DEPENDENCE W/O REHABILITATION THERAPY W/O CC	0.4366	21.9	18.2
524	TRANSIENT ISCHEMIA	0.6178	23.4	19.5
525	8 HEART ASSIST SYSTEM IMPLANT	1.9873	41.3	34.4
526	8 PERCUTANEOUS CARVIOVASCULAR PROC W DRUG-ELUTING STENT W AMI	1.4090	34.1	28.4
527	8 PERCUTANEOUS CARVIOVASCULAR PROC W DRUG-ELUTING STENT W/O AMI	1.4090	34.1	28.4
528 529	8 INTRACRANIAL VASCLUAR PROCEDURES WITH PDX HEMORRHAGE	1.9873 0.7347	41.3 23.1	34.4 19.2
530	8 VENTRICULAR SHUNT PROCEDURES WITHOUT CC	0.7347	23.1	19.2
531	8 SPINAL PROCEDURES WITH CC	1.4090	34.1	28.4
532	4 SPINAL PROCEDURES WITHOUT CC	1.4090	34.1	28.4
533	8 EXTRACRANIAL VASCULAR PROCEDURES WITH CC	1.9873	41.3	34.4
534	5 EXTRACRANIAL VASCULAR PROCEDURES WITHOUT CC	1.9873	41.3	34.4
535	8 CARDIAC DEFIB IMPLANT WITH CARDIAC CATH WITH AMI/HF/SHOCK	1.9873	41.3	34.4
536	⁵ CARDIAC DEFIB IMPLANT WITH CARDIAC CATH WITHOUT AMI/HF/SHOCK	1.9873	41.3	34.4
537	8 LOCAL EXCISION AND REMOVAL OF INTERNAL FIXATION DEVICES EXCEPT HIP AND FEMUR WITH CC.	0.7347	23.1	19.2
538	⁴ LOCAL EXCISION AND REMOVAL OF INTERNAL FIXATION DEVICES EXCEPT HIP AND FEMUR WITHOUT CC.	1.4090	34.1	28.4
539	8 LYMPHOMA AND LEUKEMIA WITH MAJOR O.R. PROCEDURE WITH CC	1.9873	41.3	34.4

TABLE 11.—PROPOSED LTC-DRGS RELATIVE WEIGHTS AND GEOMETRIC AND FIVE-SIXTHS OF THE AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY—FY 2004—Continued

LTC- DRG	Description	Relative weight	Geo-metric average length of stay	5/6ths of the aver- age length of stay
540	¹ LYMPHOMA AND LEUKEMIA WITH MAJOR O.R. PROCEDURE WITHOUT CC	0.5711	20.8	17.3

- ¹ Proposed relative weights for these proposed LTC-DRGs were determined by assigning these cases to proposed low volume quintile 1.

 ² Proposed relative weights for these proposed LTC-DRGs were determined by assigning these cases to proposed low volume quintile 2.

 ³ Proposed relative weights for these proposed LTC-DRGs were determined by assigning these cases to proposed low volume quintile 3.

- 4 Proposed relative weights for these proposed LTC-DRGs were determined by assigning these cases to proposed low volume quintile 4. 5 Proposed relative weights for these proposed LTC-DRGs were determined by assigning these cases to proposed low volume quintile 5.
- Proposed relative weights for these proposed LTC–DRGs were determined by assigning these cases to proposed low volume quintile 5.

 Proposed relative weights for these proposed LTC–DRGs were assigned a value of 0.0000.

 Proposed relative weights for these proposed LTC–DRGs were determined after adjusting to account for nonmonotonicity (see step 5 above).

 Proposed relative weights for these proposed LTC–DRGs were determined by assigning these cases to the appropriate proposed low volume quintile because they had no LTCH cases in the FY 2002 MedPAR.

Appendix A—Regulatory Analysis of **Impacts**

I. Background and Summary

We have examined the impacts of this proposed rule as required by Executive Order 12866 (September 1993, Regulatory Planning and Review) and the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA) (September 19, 1980, Pub. L. 96-354), section 1102(b) of the Social Security Act, the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-4), and Executive Order

Executive Order 12866 directs agencies to assess all costs and benefits of available regulatory alternatives and, if regulation is necessary, to select regulatory approaches that maximize net benefits (including potential economic, environmental, public health and safety effects, distributive impacts, and equity). A regulatory impact analysis (RIA) must be prepared for major rules with economically significant effects (\$100 million or more in any 1 year).

We have determined that this proposed rule is a major rule as defined in 5 U.S.C. 804(2). Based on the overall percentage change in payments per case estimated using our payment simulation model (a 2.5 percent increase), we estimate that the total impact of these proposed changes for FY 2004 payments compared to FY 2003 payments to be approximately a \$2.1 billion increase. This amount does not reflect changes in hospital admissions or case-mix intensity, which would also affect overall payment changes.

The RFA requires agencies to analyze options for regulatory relief of small businesses. For purposes of the RFA, small entities include small businesses, nonprofit organizations, and government agencies Most hospitals and most other providers and suppliers are small entities, either by nonprofit status or by having revenues of \$5 million to \$25 million in any 1 year. For purposes of the RFA, all hospitals and other providers and suppliers are considered to be small entities. Individuals and States are not included in the definition of a small entity.

In addition, section 1102(b) of the Act requires us to prepare a regulatory impact analysis for any proposed rule that may have a significant impact on the operations of a substantial number of small rural hospitals. This analysis must conform to the provisions of section 603 of the RFA. With the exception

of hospitals located in certain New England counties, for purposes of section 1102(b) of the Act, we define a small rural hospital as a hospital with fewer than 100 beds that is located outside of a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) or New England County Metropolitan Area (NECMA). Section 601(g) of the Social Security Amendments of 1983 (Pub. L. 98-21) designated hospitals in certain New England counties as belonging to the adjacent NECMA. Thus, for purposes of the acute care hospital inpatient prospective payment systems, we classify these hospitals as urban hospitals.

Section 202 of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-4) also requires that agencies assess anticipated costs and benefits before issuing any proposed rule (or a final rule that has been preceded by a proposed rule) that may result in an expenditure in any one year by State, local, or tribal governments, in the aggregate, or by the private sector, of \$110 million. This proposed rule would not mandate any requirements for State, local, or tribal governments.

Executive Order 13132 establishes certain requirements that an agency must meet when it promulgates a proposed rule (and subsequent final rule) that imposes substantial direct requirement costs on State and local governments, preempts State law, or otherwise has Federalism implications. We have reviewed this proposed rule in light of Executive Order 13132 and have determined that it would not have any negative impact on the rights, roles, and responsibilities of State, local, or tribal governments.

In accordance with the provisions of Executive Order 12866, this proposed rule was reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget.

The following analysis, in conjunction with the remainder of this document, demonstrates that this proposed rule is consistent with the regulatory philosophy and principles identified in Executive Order 12866, the RFA, and section 1102(b) of the Act. The proposed rule would affect payments to a substantial number of small rural hospitals as well as other classes of hospitals, and the effects on some hospitals may be significant.

II. Objectives

The primary objective of the IPPS is to create incentives for hospitals to operate efficiently and minimize unnecessary costs while at the same time ensuring that payments are sufficient to adequately compensate hospitals for their legitimate costs. In addition, we share national goals of preserving the Medicare Trust Fund.

We believe the changes in this proposed rule would further each of these goals while maintaining the financial viability of the hospital industry and ensuring access to high quality health care for Medicare beneficiaries. We expect that these proposed changes would ensure that the outcomes of this payment system are reasonable and equitable while avoiding or minimizing unintended adverse consequences.

III. Limitations of Our Analysis

The following quantitative analysis presents the projected effects of our proposed policy changes, as well as statutory changes effective for FY 2004, on various hospital groups. We estimate the effects of individual proposed policy changes by estimating payments per case while holding all other payment policies constant. We use the best data available, but we do not attempt to predict behavioral responses to our proposed policy changes, and we do not make adjustments for future changes in such variables as admissions, lengths of stay, or case-mix. As we have done in previous proposed rules, we are soliciting comments and information about the anticipated effects of these proposed changes on hospitals and our methodology for estimating them.

IV. Hospitals Included In and Excluded From the IPPS

The prospective payment systems for hospital inpatient operating and capitalrelated costs encompass nearly all general short-term, acute care hospitals that participate in the Medicare program. There were 45 Indian Health Service hospitals in our database, which we excluded from the analysis due to the special characteristics of the prospective payment method for these hospitals. Among other short-term, acute care hospitals, only the 48 such hospitals in Maryland remain excluded from the IPPS under the waiver at section 1814(b)(3) of the Act.

There are approximately 729 critical access hospitals (CAHs). These small, limited service hospitals are paid on the basis of reasonable costs rather than under the IPPS. The remaining 20 percent are specialty hospitals that are excluded from the IPPS. These specialty hospitals include psychiatric hospitals and units, rehabilitation hospitals and units, long-term care hospitals, children's hospitals, and cancer hospitals. The impacts of our proposed policy changes on these hospitals are discussed below.

Thus, as of April 2003, we have included 4,087 hospitals in our analysis. This represents about 80 percent of all Medicare-participating hospitals. The majority of this impact analysis focuses on this set of hospitals.

V. Impact on Excluded Hospitals and Hospital Units

As of April 2003, there were 1,085 specialty hospitals excluded from the IPPS that were paid instead on a reasonable cost basis subject to the rate-of-increase ceiling under § 413.40. Broken down by specialty, there were 484 psychiatric, 214 rehabilitation, 296 long-term care, 80 children's, and 11 cancer hospitals. In addition, there were 1,410 psychiatric units and 979 rehabilitation units in hospitals otherwise subject to the IPPS. Under $\S 413.40(a)(2)(i)(A)$, the rate-of-increase ceiling is not applicable to the 48 specialty hospitals and units in Maryland that are paid in accordance with the waiver at section 1814(b)(3) of the Act.

In the past, hospitals and units excluded from the IPPS have been paid based on their reasonable costs subject to limits as established by the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 (TEFRA). Hospitals that continue to be paid based on their reasonable costs are subject to TEFRA limits for FY 2004. For these hospitals, the proposed update is the percentage increase in the excluded hospital market basket (currently estimated at 3.5 percent).

Inpatient rehabilitation facilities (IRFs) are paid under a prospective payment system (IRF PPS) for cost reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2002. For cost reporting periods beginning during FY 2004, the IRF PPS is based on 100 percent of the adjusted Federal IRF prospective payment amount, updated annually. Therefore, these hospitals would not be impacted by this proposed rule.

Effective for cost reporting periods beginning on or after October 1, 2002, LTCHs are paid under a LTCH PPS, based on the adjusted Federal prospective payment amount, updated annually. LTCHs will receive a blended payment (Federal prospective payment and a reasonable costbased payment) over a 5-year transition period. However, under the LTCH PPS, a LTCH may also elect to be paid at 100 percent of the Federal prospective rate at the beginning of any of its cost reporting periods during the 5-year transition period. For purposes of the update factor, the portion of the LTCH PPS transition blend payment based on reasonable costs for inpatient operating services would be determined by updating the LTCH's TEFRA limit by the

estimate of the excluded hospital market basket (or 3.5 percent).

The impact on excluded hospitals and hospital units of the update in the rate-ofincrease limit depends on the cumulative cost increases experienced by each excluded hospital or unit since its applicable base period. For excluded hospitals and units that have maintained their cost increases at a level below the rate-of-increase limits since their base period, the major effect would be on the level of incentive payments these hospitals and hospital units receive. Conversely, for excluded hospitals and hospital units with per-case cost increases above the cumulative update in their rate-ofincrease limits, the major effect would be the amount of excess costs that would not be reimbursed.

We note that, under § 413.40(d)(3), an excluded hospital or unit whose costs exceed 110 percent of its rate-of-increase limit receives its rate-of-increase limit plus 50 percent of the difference between its reasonable costs and 110 percent of the limit, not to exceed 110 percent of its limit. In addition, under the various provisions set forth in § 413.40, certain excluded hospitals and hospital units can obtain payment adjustments for justifiable increases in operating costs that exceed the limit. At the same time, however, by generally limiting payment increases, we continue to provide an incentive for excluded hospitals and hospital units to restrain the growth in their spending for patient services.

VI. Quantitative Impact Analysis of the Proposed Policy Changes Under the IPPS for Operating Costs

A. Basis and Methodology of Estimates

In this proposed rule, we are announcing policy changes and payment rate updates for the IPPS for operating and capital-related costs. Based on the overall percentage change in payments per case estimated using our payment simulation model (a 2.5 percent increase), we estimate the total impact of these changes for FY 2004 payments compared to FY 2003 payments to be approximately a \$2.1 billion increase. This amount does not reflect changes in hospital admissions or case-mix intensity, which would also affect overall payment changes.

We have prepared separate impact analyses of the proposed changes to each system. This section deals with changes to the operating prospective payment system. Our payment simulation model relies on available data to enable us to estimate the impacts on payments per case of certain changes we are proposing in this proposed rule. However, there are other changes we are proposing for which we do not have data available that would allow us to estimate the payment impacts using this model. For those proposals, we have attempted to predict the payment impacts of those proposed changes based upon our experience and other more limited data.

The data used in developing the quantitative analyses of changes in payments per case presented below are taken from the FY 2002 MedPAR file and the most current Provider-Specific File that is used for payment purposes. Although the analyses of

the changes to the operating PPS do not incorporate cost data, data from the most recently available hospital cost report were used to categorize hospitals. Our analysis has several qualifications. First, we do not make adjustments for behavioral changes that hospitals may adopt in response to these proposed policy changes, and we do not adjust for future changes in such variables as admissions, lengths of stay, or case-mix. Second, due to the interdependent nature of the IPPS payment components, it is very difficult to precisely quantify the impact associated with each proposed change. Third, we draw upon various sources for the data used to categorize hospitals in the tables. In some cases, particularly the number of beds, there is a fair degree of variation in the data from different sources. We have attempted to construct these variables with the best available source overall. However, for individual hospitals, some

miscategorizations are possible.

Using cases in the FY 2002 MedPAR file, we simulated payments under the operating IPPS given various combinations of payment parameters. Any short-term, acute care hospitals not paid under the IPPSs (Indian Health Service hospitals and hospitals in Maryland) were excluded from the simulations. The impact of payments under the capital IPPS, or the impact of payments for costs other than inpatient operating costs, are not analyzed in this section. Estimated payment impacts of proposed FY 2004 changes to the capital IPPS are discussed in section IX. of this Appendix.

The proposed changes discussed separately below are the following:

- The effects of expanding the postacute care transfer policy to 19 additional DRGs.
- The effects of the proposed annual reclassification of diagnoses and procedures and the recalibration of the DRG relative weights required by section 1886(d)(4)(C) of the Act.
- The effects of the proposed changes in hospitals' wage index values reflecting wage data from hospitals' cost reporting periods beginning during FY 2000, compared to the FY 1999 wage data, including the effects of removing wage data for Part B costs of RCHs and FQHCs.
- The effects of geographic reclassifications by the MGCRB that will be effective in FY 2004.
- The total change in payments based on proposed FY 2004 policies relative to payments based on FY 2003 policies.

To illustrate the impacts of the proposed FY 2004 changes, our analysis begins with a FY 2004 baseline simulation model using: the FY 2003 DRG GROUPER (version 20.0); the current postacute care transfer policy for 10 DRGs; the FY 2003 wage index; and no MGCRB reclassifications. Outlier payments are set at 5.1 percent of total operating DRG and outlier payments.

Each proposed and statutory policy change is then added incrementally to this baseline model, finally arriving at an FY 2004 model incorporating all of the proposed changes. This allows us to isolate the effects of each proposed change.

Our final comparison illustrates the percent change in payments per case from FY

2003 to FY 2004. Five factors have significant impacts here. The first is the update to the standardized amounts. In accordance with section 1886(b)(3)(B)(i) of the Act, we are proposing to update the large urban and the other areas average standardized amounts for FY 2004 using the most recently forecasted hospital market basket increase for FY 2004 of 3.5 percent. Under section 1886(b)(3)(B)(iv) of the Act, the updates to the hospital-specific amounts for sole community hospitals (SCHs) and for Medicare-dependent small rural hospitals (MDHs) are also equal to the market basket increase, or 3.5 percent.

A second significant factor that impacts changes in hospitals' payments per case from FY 2003 to FY 2004 is the change in MGCRB status from one year to the next. That is, hospitals reclassified in FY 2003 that are no longer reclassified in FY 2004 may have a negative payment impact going from FY 2003 to FY 2004; conversely, hospitals not reclassified in FY 2003 that are reclassified in FY 2004 may have a positive impact. In some cases, these impacts can be quite substantial, so if a relatively small number of hospitals in a particular category lose their reclassification status, the percentage change in payments for the category may be below the national mean. However, this effect is alleviated by section 1886(d)(10)(D)(v) of the Act, which provides that reclassifications for purposes of the wage index are for a 3-year period.

A third significant factor is that we currently estimate that actual outlier payments during FY 2003 will be 5.5 percent of total DRG payments. When the FY 2003 final rule was published, we projected FY 2003 outlier payments would be 5.1 percent of total DRG plus outlier payments; the average standardized amounts were offset correspondingly. The effects of the higher than expected outlier payments during FY 2003 (as discussed in the Addendum to this proposed rule) are reflected in the analyses below comparing our current estimates of FY 2003 payments per case to estimated FY 2004 payments per case.

Fourth, we are proposing to expand the postacute care transfer policy to 19 additional DRGs. This proposed expansion would result in Medicare savings of \$160 million because we would no longer pay a full DRG payment for these cases. As a result, there would be a lower total increase in Medicare spending for FY 2004.

Fifth, section 402(b) of Pub. L. 108–7 provided that the large urban standardized amount of the Federal rate is applicable for all IPPS hospitals for discharges occurring on or after April 1, 2003, and before October 1, 2003. For discharges occurring on or after October 1, 2003, the Federal rate will again be based on separate average standardized amounts for hospitals in large urban areas and for hospitals in other areas. The effect is to reduce the percent increase in FY 2004 payments compared to those made in FY 2003.

B. Analysis of Table I

Table I demonstrates the results of our analysis. The table categorizes hospitals by various geographic and special payment consideration groups to illustrate the varying impacts on different types of hospitals. The top row of the table shows the overall impact on the 4,087 hospitals included in the analysis. This number is 143 fewer hospitals than were included in the impact analysis in the FY 2003 final rule (67 FR 50279). There are 98 new CAHs that were excluded from last year's analysis.

The next four rows of Table I contain hospitals categorized according to their geographic location: all urban, which is further divided into large urban and other urban; and rural. There are 2,582 hospitals located in urban areas (MSAs or NECMAs) included in our analysis. Among these, there are 1,493 hospitals located in large urban areas (populations over 1 million), and 1,089 hospitals in other urban areas (populations of 1 million or fewer). In addition, there are 1,505 hospitals in rural areas. The next two groupings are by bed-size categories, shown separately for urban and rural hospitals. The final groupings by geographic location are by census divisions, also shown separately for urban and rural hospitals.

The second part of Table I shows hospital groups based on hospitals' FY 2004 payment classifications, including any reclassifications under section 1886(d)(10) of the Act. For example, the rows labeled urban, large urban, other urban, and rural show that the number of hospitals paid based on these categorizations after consideration of geographic reclassifications are 2,591, 1,572, 1,019, and 1,496, respectively.

The next three groupings examine the impacts of the proposed changes on hospitals grouped by whether or not they have GME

residency programs (teaching hospitals that receive an IME adjustment) or receive DSH payments, or some combination of these two adjustments. There are 2,976 nonteaching hospitals in our analysis, 873 teaching hospitals with fewer than 100 residents, and 238 teaching hospitals with 100 or more residents.

In the DSH categories, hospitals are grouped according to their DSH payment status, and whether they are considered urban or rural after MGCRB reclassifications. Therefore, hospitals in the rural DSH categories represent hospitals that were not reclassified for purposes of the standardized amount or for purposes of the DSH adjustment. (However, they may have been reclassified for purposes of the wage index.)

The next category groups hospitals considered urban after geographic reclassification, in terms of whether they receive the IME adjustment, the DSH adjustment, both, or neither.

The next five rows examine the impacts of the proposed changes on rural hospitals by special payment groups (SCHs, rural referral centers (RRCs), and MDHs), as well as rural hospitals not receiving a special payment designation. The RRCs (149), SCHs (494), MDHs (254), and hospitals that are both SCH and RRC (78) shown here were not reclassified for purposes of the standardized amount.

The next two groupings are based on type of ownership and the hospital's Medicare utilization expressed as a percent of total patient days. These data are taken primarily from the FY 2000 Medicare cost report files, if available (otherwise FY 1999 data are used). Data needed to determine ownership status were unavailable for 120 hospitals. Similarly, the data needed to determine Medicare utilization were unavailable for 104 hospitals.

The next series of groupings concern the geographic reclassification status of hospitals. The first grouping displays all hospitals that were reclassified by the MGCRB for FY 2004. The next two groupings separate the hospitals in the first group by urban and rural status. The final row in Table I contains hospitals located in rural counties but deemed to be urban under section 1886(d)(8)(B) of the Act.

TABLE I.—IMPACT ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED CHANGES FOR FY 2004 OPERATING PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM [Percent changes in payments per case]

	Number of hosps. ¹	Transfer changes 2004 base ²	DRG changes ³	New wage data ⁴	New wage index without nonphys. part B ⁵	DRG & wage index changes ⁶	MCGRB reclassi- fication ⁷	ALL FY 2004 changes ⁸
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
By Geographic Location:								
All hospitals	4,087	-0.2	0.0	-0.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	2.5
Urban hospitals	2,582	-0.2	0.0	-0.5	0.1	0.0	-0.4	2.5
Large urban areas (populations over 1 million)	1,493	-0.2	0.0	-0.4	0.0	-0.1	-0.4	2.6

TABLE I.—IMPACT ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED CHANGES FOR FY 2004 OPERATING PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM—
Continued

[Percent changes in payments per case]

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	Number of hosps. ¹	Transfer changes 2004 base ²	DRG changes ³	New wage data ⁴	New wage index without nonphys. part B ⁵	DRG & wage index changes ⁶	MCGRB reclassi- fication ⁷	ALL FY 2004 changes 8
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Other urban areas (populations of 1 mil								
Other urban areas (populations of 1 million of fewer)	1,089 1,505	-0.2 -0.2	-0.1 0.0	-0.5 -0.2	0.3 0.0	0.1 0.5	-0.2 2.6	2.2 3.1
0–99 beds	626	-0.3	0.0	-0.1	0.3	0.6	-0.7	2.7
100–199 beds	916	-0.2	0.0	-0.4	0.2	0.1	-0.4	2.6
200–299 beds 300–499 beds	507 377	-0.2 -0.2	0.0	-0.5 -0.3	0.1	-0.1 0.1	-0.3 -0.3	2.3 2.5
500 or more beds	156	-0.2	-0.1	-0.3 -0.8	0.1	-0.5	-0.3	2.3
Bed Size (Rural):								
0-49 beds	690	-0.2	0.2	-0.3	0.0	0.7	0.6	3.4
50-99 beds	477	-0.2	0.0	-0.2	0.0	0.5	1.0	3.3
100–149 beds 150–199 beds	202 70	-0.2 -0.2	0.0 -0.1	-0.3 0.0	0.0	0.3	2.9 4.6	2.8 2.7
200 or more beds	66	-0.1	-0.1	- 0.1	0.0	0.4	4.8	3.0
Urban by Region:								
New England	134	-0.4	0.0	-1.0	0.8	1.1	-0.1	2.7
Middle Atlantic	394 372	-0.2 -0.2	0.0	-1.0 -0.4	0.1	-0.7 -0.1	0.1	1.7 2.5
South Atlantic East North Central	429	-0.2	0.0	-0.4 -0.5	0.1 0.1	-0.1	-0.5 -0.4	2.5
East South Central	155	-0.1	-0.1	0.3	0.1	0.6	-0.6	3.1
West North Central	176	-0.2	-0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	-0.7	2.8
West South Central	329	-0.1	0.0	-0.4	0.0	-0.2	-0.6	2.5
Mountain Pacific	131 416	-0.2 -0.2	-0.2 -0.1	0.5 -0.4	0.1 0.1	0.7 -0.1	-0.5 -0.4	3.5 2.5
Puerto Rico	46	0.0	-0.1	-0.4 -0.1	0.1	-0.1	-0.4	2.5
Rural by Region:								
New England	38	-0.2	-0.1	0.3	0.0	0.8	2.6	3.3
Middle AtlanticSouth Atlantic	67 221	-0.2 -0.2	0.1 0.0	-0.1 -0.3	0.0	0.3	2.4 2.9	2.6 2.3
East North Central	199	-0.2	-0.1	0.2	0.0	0.2	2.3	3.1
East South Central	232	-0.2	0.1	-0.2	0.0	0.4	2.8	3.0
West North Central	254	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	0.1	1.0	1.9	3.8
West South Central	273	-0.1	0.1	-0.4	0.1	0.2	3.7	3.5
Mountain Pacific	127 89	-0.1 -0.2	-0.1 -0.1	-0.2 -0.5	0.0	0.3	1.5 2.5	3.2 3.5
Puerto Rico	5	0.0	-0.1	- 4.1	0.0	- 4.1	0.4	-0.2
By Payment Classification:								
Urban hospitals	2,591	-0.2	0.0	-0.5	0.1	0.0	-0.3	2.5
Large urban areas (populations over 1 million)	1,572	-0.2	0.0	-0.4	0.1	-0.1	-0.2	2.7
Other urban areas (populations of 1 million of fewer)	1,019	-0.2	-0.1	-0.5	0.3	0.1	-0.4	2.2
Rural areas	1,496	-0.2	0.0	-0.2	0.0	0.5	2.2	3.0
Teaching Status:	,							
Non-teaching	2,976	-0.2	0.0	-0.3	0.1	0.2	0.4	2.6
Fewer than 100 Residents 100 or more Residents	873 238	-0.2 -0.2	-0.1 -0.1	-0.2 -0.9	0.1 0.1	0.2 -0.5	-0.2 -0.1	2.6 2.3
Urban DSH:	230	-0.2	-0.1	-0.9	0.1	-0.5	-0.1	2.5
Non-DSH	1,381	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2	0.1	0.2	0.0	2.7
100 or more beds	1,398	-0.2	0.0	-0.6	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	2.4
Less than 100 bedsRural DSH:	276	-0.3	0.0	-0.2	0.3	0.5	-0.5	2.4
Sole Community (SCH)	484	-0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.0	0.5	0.4	3.7
Referral Center (RRC)	161	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.4	4.6	2.8
Other Rural: 100 or more beds	75	-0.3	0.1	-0.5	0.0	0.1	1.0	1.9
Less than 100 beds	312	-0.3	0.2	-0.4	0.0	0.3	1.0	2.5
Urban teaching and DSH: DSH	771	-0.2	0.0	-0.6	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	2.5
Teaching and no DSH		-0.2	-0.1	-0.6 -0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.3	2.5
No teaching and DSH	903	-0.2	0.0	-0.5	0.2	0.0	-0.2	2.3
No teaching and no DSH	644	-0.2	0.0	-0.2	0.1	0.3	-0.3	2.7
Rural Hospital Types:		l	I		l	l	1	I

TABLE I.—IMPACT ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED CHANGES FOR FY 2004 OPERATING PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM-Continued

[Percent changes in payments per case]

	Number of hosps.1	Transfer changes 2004 base ²	DRG changes ³	New wage data ⁴	New wage index without nonphys. part B ⁵	DRG & wage index changes ⁶	MCGRB reclassi- fication ⁷	ALL FY 2004 changes 8
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Non special status hospitals	521 149 494 254 78	-0.3 -0.2 -0.1 -0.3 0.0	0.1 -0.1 0.0 0.2 -0.1	-0.4 -0.1 -0.1 -0.2 -0.1	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0	0.3 0.6 0.5 0.8 0.3	1.0 5.9 0.3 0.7 1.4	2.2 2.6 3.9 3.3 3.3
Voluntary	2,435 699 833 120	-0.2 -0.2 -0.2 -0.1	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0	-0.5 -0.2 -0.4 -1.1	0.1 0.1 0.1 0.0	0.0 0.2 0.0 -0.8	0.0 0.0 0.3 -0.4	2.5 2.6 2.7 1.8
tient Days: 0-25 25-50 50-65 Over 65 Unknown Hospitals Reclassified by the Medicare Geographic Classification Review Board: FY	304 1,557 1,663 459 104	-0.2 -0.2 -0.2 -0.2 -0.2	-0.1 0.0 0.0 0.0 -0.1	0.0 -0.5 -0.4 -0.1 0.0	0.0 0.1 0.2 0.1 0.0	0.1 -0.1 0.2 0.4 0.2	-0.3 -0.2 0.3 0.7 -0.6	3.0 2.5 2.5 2.7 3.0
2004 Reclassifications: All Reclassified Hospitals Standardized Amount Only Wage Index Only Both Nonreclassified Hospitals All Reclassified Urban Hospitals Standardized Amount Only Wage Index Only Both Urban Nonreclassified Hospitals All Reclassified Rural Hospitals Standardized Amount Only Both Urban Nonreclassified Hospitals All Reclassified Rural Hospitals Standardized Amount Only Wage Index Only Both Rural Nonreclassified Hospitals	639 22 556 33 3,442 136 13 82 41 2,415 503 15 464 24 999	-0.2 -0.2 -0.2 -0.2 -0.2 -0.2 -0.2 -0.3 -0.2 -0.2 -0.2 -0.1 -0.2	0.0 0.0 0.0 -0.1 0.0 -0.1 0.0 0.0 -0.1 0.1 -0.1	-0.3 -0.7 -0.4 -0.4 -0.5 -1.4 -0.7 0.1 -0.5 -0.1 -0.4 -0.1 -0.1	0.1 0.5 0.2 0.2 0.1 0.3 0.2 0.3 0.2 0.1 0.0 0.1	0.3 0.0 0.3 0.2 0.0 0.1 -1.2 0.1 0.6 -0.1 0.5 0.4 0.5 0.5	4.3 3.9 4.3 6.0 -0.62.5 4.0 0.9 3.9 5.4 -0.6 4.6 4.8 4.2 8.7 -0.5	3.0 5.8 2.4 3.1 2.7 2.4 2.3 3.8 2.4 3.2 2.1 3.2 3.8
Other Reclassified Hospitals (Section 1886(D)(8)(B))	34	-0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.4	-2.0	1.8

¹Because data necessary to classify some hospitals by category were missing, the total number of hospitals in each category may not equal the national total. Discharge data are from FY 2002, and hospital cost report data are from reporting periods beginning in FY 2000 and FY 1999.
²This column displays the payment impact of the expanded postacute care transfer policy.

C. Impact of the Proposed Changes to the Postacute Care Transfer Policy (Column 2)

In column 2 of Table I, we present the effects of the postacute care transfer policy expansion, as discussed in section IV.A. of

the preamble to this proposed rule. We compared aggregate payments using the FY 2003 DRG relative weights (GROUPER version 21.0) with the expanded postacute care transfer policy to aggregate payments

using the proposed expanded postacute care transfer policy (with the additional 19 DRGs). The changes we are proposing to make would result in 0.2 percent lower payments to

²This column displays the payment impact of the expanded postacute care transfer policy.

³This column displays the payment impact of the recalibration of the DRG weights based on FY 2002 MedPAR data and the DRG reclassification changes, in accordance with section 1886(d)(4)(C) of the Act.

⁴This column displays the impact of updating the wage index with wage data from hospitals' FY 2000 cost reports.

⁵This column displays the impact of removing nonphysician Part B costs and hours from cost report data (Worksheet S–3, Part II, Line 5.01).

⁶This column displays the combined impact of the reclassification and recalibration of the DRGs, the updated and revised wage data used to calculate the wage index, the removal of nonphysician Part B costs and hours, and the budget neutrality adjustment factor for DRG and wage index changes, in accordance with sections 1886(d)(4)(C)(iii) and 1886(d)(3)(E) of the Act. Thus, it represents the combined impacts shown in columns 3, 4, and 5, and the proposed FY 2004 budget neutrality factor of 1.003133.

⁷Shown here are the effects of geographic reclassifications by the Medicare Geographic Classification Review Board (MGCRB). The effects demonstrate the FY 2004 payment impact of going from no reclassifications to the reclassifications scheduled to be in effect for FY 2004. Reclassification for prior years has no bearing on the payment impacts shown here.

classification for prior years has no bearing on the payment impacts shown here.

8 This column shows changes in payments from FY 2003 to FY 2004. It incorporates all of the changes displayed in columns 2, 6, and 7 (the changes displayed in columns 3, 4, and 5 are included in column 6). It also reflects the impact of the FY 2004 update, changes in hospitals' reclassification status in FY 2004 compared to FY 2003, and the difference in outlier payments from FY 2003 to FY 2004. The sum of these impacts may be different from the percentage changes shown here due to rounding and interactive effect.

hospitals overall. We estimate the total savings at approximately \$160 million.

To simulate the impact of this proposed policy, we calculated hospitals' transferadjusted discharges and case-mix index values, including the proposed additional 19 DRGs. The transfer-adjusted discharge fraction is calculated in one of two ways, depending on the transfer payment methodology. Under our current transfer payment methodology, for all but the three DRGs receiving special payment consideration (DRGs 209, 210, and 211), this adjustment is made by adding 1 to the length of stay and dividing that amount by the geometric mean length of stay for the DRG (with the resulting fraction not to exceed 1.0). For example, a transfer after 3 days from a DRG with a geometric mean length of stay of 6 days would have a transfer-adjusted discharge fraction of 0.667 ((3+1)/6)

For transfers from any one of the three DRGs receiving the alternative payment methodology, the transfer-adjusted discharge fraction is 0.5 (to reflect that these cases receive half the full DRG amount the first day), plus one half of the result of dividing 1 plus the length of stay prior to transfer by the geometric mean length of stay for the DRG. None of the proposed 19 additional DRGs would receive the alternative payment methodology. As with the above adjustment, the result is equal to the lesser of the transferadjusted discharge fraction or 1.

The transfer-adjusted case-mix index values are calculated by summing the transfer-adjusted DRG weights and dividing by the transfer-adjusted discharges. The transfer-adjusted DRG weights are calculated by multiplying the DRG weight by the lesser of 1 or the transfer-adjusted discharge fraction for the case, divided by the geometric mean length of stay for the DRG. In this way, simulated payments per case can be compared before and after the proposed change to the transfer policy.

This proposed expansion of the policy has a negative 0.2 percent payment impact overall among both urban and rural hospitals. There is very small variation among all of the hospital categories from this negative 0.2 percent impact. This outcome is different than the impacts exhibited when we implemented the postacute care transfer policy for the current 10 DRGs in the July 31, 1998 Federal Register (63 FR 41108). At that time, the impact of going from no postacute transfer policy to a postacute care transfer policy applicable to 10 DRGs was a 0.6 percent decrease in payments per case. In addition, at that time, the impact was greatest among urban hospitals (0.7 percent payment decrease, compared to 0.4 percent among rural hospitals).

The less dramatic impact observed for this proposed expansion to additional DRGs is not surprising. The movement to transfer more and more patients for postacute care sooner appears to have abated in recent years. While it does appear that many patients continue to be transferred for postacute care early in the course of their acute care treatment, the rapid expansion of this trend that was apparent during the mid-90s appears to have subsided. To a large extent, this decline probably stems from the

decreased payment incentives to transfer patients to postacute care settings as a result of the implementation of prospective payment systems for IRFs, SNFs, LTCHs, and HHAs.

D. Impact of the Proposed Changes to the DRG Reclassifications and Recalibration of Relative Weights (Column 3)

In column 3 of Table I, we present the combined effects of the DRG reclassifications and recalibration, as discussed in section II. of the preamble to this proposed rule. Section 1886(d)(4)(C)(i) of the Act requires us annually to make appropriate classification changes and to recalibrate the DRG weights in order to reflect changes in treatment patterns, technology, and any other factors that may change the relative use of hospital resources.

We compared aggregate payments using the FY 2003 DRG relative weights (GROUPER version 20.0) to aggregate payments using the proposed FY 2004 DRG relative weights (GROUPER version 21.0). Both simulations reflected the proposed expansion of the postacute care transfer policy. We note that, consistent with section 1886(d)(4)(C)(iii) of the Act, we have applied a budget neutrality factor to ensure that the overall payment impact of the DRG changes (combined with the wage index changes) is budget neutral. This proposed budget neutrality factor of 1.003133 is applied to payments in Column 6. Because this is a combined DRG reclassification and recalibration and wage index budget neutrality factor, it is not applied to payments in this column.

The major DRG classification changes we are proposing are: Creating additional DRGs that are split based on the presence or absence of CCs; creating a new DRG for cases with ruptured brain aneurysms; and creating a new DRG for cases involving the implantation of a cardiac defibrillator where the patient experiences acute myocardial infarction, heart failure, or shock. In the aggregate, these proposed changes would result in 0.0 percent change in overall payments to hospitals.

The overall level of the DRG weights are determined by the normalization factor intended to ensure that recalibration by itself neither increases nor decreases total payments under the IPPS. Because we count transfer cases as a fraction of a case in the recalibration process, expanding the postacute care transfer policy to 19 additional DRGs would affect the proposed relative weights for those DRGs. Therefore, we calculated the proposed FY 2004 normalization factor comparing the case-mix using the proposed FY 2004 DRG relative weights in which we treated postacute care transfer cases in the 19 additional DRGs being proposed for FY 2004 as a fraction of a case with the case-mix using the FY 2003 DRG relative weights without treating cases in these 19 additional DRGs as transfer cases. As noted above, the proposed expansion of the postacute care transfer policy impacts the overall level of the DRG weights, contributing to the impacts seen in this column.

Rural hospitals with fewer than 50 beds would experience a 0.2 percent increase due to these changes, while rural hospitals with more than 150 beds will experience a 0.1 percent decrease. Also, RRCs and hospitals classified with both SCH and RRC would experience a 0.1 percent decrease. MDHs would experience a 0.2 percent increase. Hospitals in the urban Mountain census division would experience the largest change, with a 0.2 percent decrease. Again, these impacts are ultimately offset by the budget neutrality factor of 1.003133.

E. Impact of Proposed Wage Index Changes (Columns 4 and 5)

Section 1886(d)(3)(E) of the Act requires that, beginning October 1, 1993, we annually update the wage data used to calculate the wage index. In accordance with this requirement, the proposed wage index for FY 2004 is based on data submitted for hospital cost reporting periods beginning on or after October 1, 1999 and before October 1, 2000. As with column 3, the impact of the new data on hospital payments is isolated in column 4 by holding the other payment parameters constant in this simulation. That is, column 4 shows the percentage changes in payments when going from a model using the FY 2003 wage index (based on FY 1999 wage data to a model using the FY 2004 prereclassification wage index based on FY 2000 wage data).

The wage data collected on the FY 2000 cost reports are similar to the data used in the calculation of the FY 2003 wage index. Also, as described in section III.B of this preamble, the proposed FY 2004 wage index is calculated by removing the nonphysician Part B costs and hours of RHCs and FQHCs, shown in column 5.

Column 4 shows the impacts of updating the wage data using FY 2000 cost reports. Overall, the new wage data would lead to a 0.4 percent reduction, but this reduction is offset by the budget neutrality factor. Urban hospitals' wage indexes would decline by 0.5 percent, and rural hospitals' wage indexes would decline by 0.2 percent. Among regions, the largest impact of updating the wage data is seen in rural Puerto Rico (a 4.1 percent decrease). Rural hospitals in the Pacific and West South Central regions would experience the next largest impact, a 0.5 percent and 0.4 percent decrease, respectively. Rural New England and East North Central regions would experience an increase of 0.3 percent and 0.2 percent, respectively

Among urban hospitals, New England and the Middle Atlantic regions would experience 1.0 percent decreases, respectively. These impacts result, respectively, from a 9.0 percent decrease in the proposed FY 2004 wage index for Springfield, Massachusetts, and a 6.1 percent decrease in the Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania wage index. The East South Central, West North Central, and Mountain regions would experience increases of 0.3 percent, 0.1 percent, and 0.5 percent, respectively.

The next column shows the impacts on the calculation of the proposed FY 2004 wage index of removing nonphysician Part B data for RHCs and FQHCs. Column 5 shows the impacts of removing nonphysician Part B costs for RHCs and FQHCs. The effects of this proposed change are relatively small with the

exception of New England, which would experience a 0.8 percent decrease.

We note that the wage data used for the proposed wage index are based upon the data available as of March 2003 and, therefore, do not reflect revision requests received and processed by the fiscal intermediaries after that date. To the extent these requests are granted by hospitals' fiscal intermediaries, these revisions will be reflected in the final rule. In addition, we continue to verify the accuracy of the data for hospitals with extraordinary changes in their data from the prior year.

The following chart compares the shifts in wage index values for labor market areas for FY 2004 relative to FY 2003. This chart demonstrates the impact of the changes for the proposed FY 2004 wage index, including updating to FY 2000 wage data. The majority of labor market areas (331) would experience less than a 5-percent change. A total of 13 labor market areas would experience an increase of more than 5 percent and less than 10 percent. Two areas would experience an increase greater than 10 percent. A total of 24 areas would experience decreases of more than 5 percent and less than 10 percent. Finally, 3 areas would experience declines of 10 percent or more.

Percentage change in area wage index	Number of labor market areas				
values	FY 2003	FY 2004			
Increase more than 10 percent Increase more than 5 percent and less	3	2			
than 10 percent Increase or decrease	11	13			
less than 5 percent Decrease more than	343	331			
5 percent and less than 10 percent Decrease more than	15	24			
10 percent	1	3			

Among urban hospitals, 45 would experience an increase of between 5 and 10 percent and 8 more than 10 percent. A total of 64 rural hospitals would experience increases greater than 5 percent, but none would experience greater than 10-percent increases. On the negative side, 109 urban hospitals would experience decreases in their wage index values of at least 5 percent but less than 10 percent. Nine urban hospitals and one rural hospital would experience decreases in their wage index values greater than 10 percent. There are 25 rural hospitals that would experience decreases in their wage index values of greater than 5 percent but less than 10 percent. The following chart shows the projected impact for urban and rural hospitals.

Percentage change in area wage index	Number of	hospitals
values	Urban	Rural
Increase more than 10 percentIncrease more than 5	8	0
percent and less than 10 percent	45	64

Percentage change in	Number of hospitals		
area wage index values	Urban	Rural	
Increase or decrease less than 5 percent Decrease more than	2,436	1,714	
5 percent and less than 10 percent Decrease more than	109	25	
10 percent	9	1	

F. Combined Impact of Proposed DRG and Wage Index Changes, Including Budget Neutrality Adjustment (Column 6)

The impact of the DRG reclassifications and recalibration on aggregate payments is required by section 1886(d)(4)(C)(iii) of the Act to be budget neutral. In addition, section 1886(d)(3)(E) of the Act specifies that any updates or adjustments to the wage index are to be budget neutral. As noted in the Addendum to this proposed rule, we compared simulated aggregate payments using the FY 2003 DRG relative weights and wage index to simulated aggregate payments using the proposed FY 2004 DRG relative weights and blended wage index. In addition, we are required to ensure that any add-on payments for new technology under section 1886(d)(5)(K) of the Act are budget neutral. As discussed in section II.E. of the preamble of this proposed rule, we are proposing to maintain the new technology status of XigrisTM (approved in last year's final rule at 67 FR 50013). We estimate the proposed total add-on payments for this new technology for FY 2004 would be \$50 million.

We computed a proposed wage and recalibration budget neutrality factor of 1.003133. The 0.0 percent impact for all hospitals demonstrates that these proposed changes, in combination with the proposed budget neutrality factor, are budget neutral. In Table I, the combined overall impacts of the effects of both the proposed DRG reclassifications and recalibration and the proposed updated wage index are shown in column 6. The proposed changes in this column are the sum of the proposed changes in columns 3, 4, and 5, combined with the budget neutrality factor and the wage index floor for urban areas required by section 4410 of Pub. L. 105-33 to be budget neutral. There also may be some variation of plus or minus 0.1 percentage point due to rounding.

G. Impact of MGCRB Reclassifications (Column 7)

Our impact analysis to this point has assumed hospitals are paid on the basis of their actual geographic location (with the exception of ongoing policies that provide that certain hospitals receive payments on bases other than where they are geographically located, such as hospitals in rural counties that are deemed urban under section 1886(d)(8)(B) of the Act). The changes in column 7 reflect the per case payment impact of moving from this baseline to a simulation incorporating the MGCRB decisions for FY 2004. These decisions affect hospitals' standardized amount and wage index area assignments.

By February 28 of each year, the MGCRB makes reclassification determinations that

will be effective for the next fiscal year, which begins on October 1. The MGCRB may approve a hospital's reclassification request for the purpose of using another area's standardized amount, wage index value, or both. The proposed FY 2004 wage index values incorporate all of the MGCRB's reclassification decisions for FY 2004. The wage index values also reflect any decisions made by the CMS Administrator through the appeals and review process as of February 28, 2003. Additional changes that result from the Administrator's review of MGCRB decisions or a request by a hospital to withdraw its application will be reflected in the final rule for FY 2004.

The overall effect of geographic reclassification is required by section 1886(d)(8)(D) of the Act to be budget neutral. Therefore, we applied an adjustment of 1.003133 to ensure that the effects of reclassification are budget neutral. (See section II.A.4.b. of the Addendum to this proposed rule.)

As a group, rural hospitals benefit from geographic reclassification. Their payments would rise 2.6 percent in column 7. Payments to urban hospitals would decline 0.4 percent. Hospitals in other urban areas would experience an overall decrease in payments of 0.2 percent, while large urban hospitals would lose 0.4 percent. Among urban hospital groups (that is, bed size, census division, and special payment status), payments generally would decline.

A positive impact is evident among most of the rural hospital groups. The smallest increases among the rural census divisions are 0.4 and 1.5 percent for the Puerto Rico and Mountain regions, respectively. The largest increases are in the rural South Atlantic and West South Central regions. These regions would experience increases of 2.9 and 3.7 percent, respectively.

Among all the hospitals that were reclassified for FY 2004 (including hospitals that received wage index reclassifications in FY 2002 or FY 2003 that extend for 3 years), the MGCRB changes are estimated to provide a 4.3 percent increase in payments. Urban hospitals reclassified for FY 2004 are expected to receive an increase of 4.0 percent, while rural reclassified hospitals are expected to benefit from the MGCRB changes with a 4.6 percent increase in payments. Overall, among hospitals that were reclassified for purposes of the standardized amount only, a payment increase of 3.9 percent is expected, while those reclassified for purposes of the wage index only show a 4.3 percent increase in payments. Payments to urban and rural hospitals that did not reclassify are expected to decrease slightly due to the MGCRB changes, decreasing by 0.6 percent for urban hospitals and 0.5 percent for rural hospitals.

H. All Changes (Column 8)

Column 8 compares our estimate of payments per case, incorporating all changes reflected in this proposed rule for FY 2004 (including statutory changes), to our estimate of payments per case in FY 2003. This column includes all of the proposed policy changes. Because the reclassifications shown in column 7 do not reflect FY 2003

reclassifications, the impacts of FY 2004 reclassifications only affect the impacts from FY 2003 to FY 2004 if the reclassification impacts for any group of hospitals are different in FY 2004 compared to FY 2003.

Column 8 includes the effects of the 3.5 percent update to the standardized amounts and the hospital-specific rates for MDHs and SCHs. It also reflects the 0.4 percentage point difference between the projected outlier payments in FY 2003 (5.1 percent of total DRG payments) and the current estimate of the percentage of actual outlier payments in FY 2003 (5.5 percent), as described in the introduction to this Appendix and the Addendum to this proposed rule. As a result, payments are projected to be 0.4 percent higher in FY 2003 than originally estimated, resulting in a 0.4 percent smaller increase than would otherwise occur.

Section 213 of Public Law 106–554 provides that all SCHs may receive payment on the basis of their costs per case during their cost reporting period that began during 1996. For FY 2004, eligible SCHs receive 100 percent of their 1996 hospital-specific rate. The impact of this provision is modeled in column 8 as well.

The proposed expansion of the postacute care transfer policy also reduces payments by paying for discharges to postacute care in 19 additional DRGs as transfers. Because FY 2003 payments reflect full DRG payments for all cases in these 19 DRGs, there is a negative impact due to the proposed expansion of this policy compared to FY 2003. The net effect of this proposed policy, as displayed in column 2, is also seen in the lower overall percent change shown in column 8 comparing FY 2004 simulated payments per case to FY 2003 payments.

Another influence on the overall change reflected in this column is the requirement of section 402(b) of Public Law 108–7 that all hospitals receive the large urban standardized amount for all discharges occurring on or after April 1, 2003, and before October 1, 2003. For discharges occurring on or after October 1, 2003, the Federal rate will again be calculated based on separate average standardized amounts for hospitals in large urban areas and for hospitals in other areas. The effect is to reduce the percent increase reflected in the "all changes" column.

There might also be interactive effects among the various factors comprising the payment system that we are not able to isolate. For these reasons, the values in column 8 may not equal the sum of the changes described above.

The overall change in payments per case for hospitals in FY 2004 would increases by 2.5 percent. Hospitals in urban areas would experience a 2.5 percent increase in payments per case compared to FY 2003. Hospitals in rural areas, meanwhile, would experience a 3.1 percent payment increase. Hospitals in large urban areas would experience a 2.6 percent increase in payments.

Among urban census divisions, the largest payment increase was 3.5 percent in the Mountain region. Hospitals in the urban East South Central region and in Puerto Rico would experience an overall increase of 3.1 percent and 2.9 percent, respectively. The smallest increase would occur in the Middle Atlantic, with an increase of 1.7 percent. These below average increases are primarily due to the inflated outlier payments for some of these hospitals during FY 2003 compared to FY 2004. Among rural regions, the only

hospital category that would experience overall payment decreases is Puerto Rico, where payments would decrease by 0.2 percent, largely due to the updated wage data. In the West North Central region, payments are projected to increase by 3.8 percent. West South Central and Pacific regions also would benefit, both with 3.5 percent increases.

Among special categories of rural hospitals, those hospitals receiving payment under the hospital-specific methodology (SCHs, MDHs, and SCH/RRCs) would experience payment increases of 3.9 percent, 3.3 percent, and 3.3 percent, respectively. This outcome is primarily related to the fact that, for hospitals receiving payments under the hospital-specific methodology, there are no outlier payments. Therefore, these hospitals would not experience negative payment impacts from the decline in outlier payments from FY 2003 to FY 2004 as would hospitals paid based on the national standardized amounts.

Hospitals that were reclassified for FY 2004 are estimated to receive a 3.0 percent increase in payments. Urban hospitals reclassified for FY 2004 are anticipated to receive an increase of 2.7 percent, while rural reclassified hospitals are expected to benefit from reclassification with a 3.2 percent increase in payments. Overall, among hospitals reclassified for purposes of the standardized amount, a payment increase of 5.8 percent is expected, while those hospitals reclassified for purposes of the wage index only would show an expected 2.4 percent increase in payments. Those hospitals located in rural counties but deemed to be urban under section 1886(d)(8)(B) of the Act are expected to receive an increase in payments of 1.8 percent.

TABLE II.—IMPACT ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED CHANGES FOR FY 2004 OPERATING PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM [Payments per case]

	Number of hospitals	Average FY 2003 payment per case ¹	Average FY 2004 payment per case ¹	All FY 2004 changes
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
By Geographic Location:				
All hospitals	4,087	7,423	7,612	2.5
Urban hospitals	2,582	7,890	8.084	2.5
Large urban areas (populations over 1 million)	1,493	8,368	8,586	2.6
Other urban areas (populations of 1 million or fewer)	1,089	7,257	7,418	2.2
Rural hospitals	1,505	5,393	5,558	3.1
Bed Size (Urban):	,	,	,	
0–99 beds	626	5,479	5,625	2.7
100–199 beds	916	6,658	6,829	2.6
200–299 beds	507	7,610	7,788	2.3
300–499 beds	377	8,445	8,660	2.5
500 or more beds	156	10,027	10,261	2.3
Bed Size (Rural):				
0–49 beds	690	4,468	4,620	3.4
50-99 beds	477	5,037	5,204	3.3
100-149 beds	202	5,430	5,582	2.8
150–199 beds	70	5,780	5,937	2.7
200 or more beds	66	6,792	6,993	3.0
Urban by Region:				
New England	134	8,326	8,555	2.7
Middle Atlantic	394	8,916	9,064	1.7
South Atlantic	372	7,454	7,640	2.5
East North Central	429	7,416	7,604	2.5
East South Central	155	7,156	7,376	3.1

TABLE II.—IMPACT ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED CHANGES FOR FY 2004 OPERATING PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM— Continued

[Payments per case]

1 3				
	Number of hospitals	Average FY 2003 payment per case ¹	Average FY 2004 payment per case ¹	All FY 2004 changes
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
West North Central	176	7 650	7,875	2.8
West North Central West South Central	329	7,659 7,343	7,523	2.5
Mountain	131	7,697	7,967	3.5
Pacific	416	9,598	9,840	2.5
Puerto Rico	46	3,329	3,426	2.9
Rural by Region:		0,020	0,.20	
New England	38	6,841	7,067	3.3
Middle Atlantic	67	5,426	5,565	2.6
South Atlantic	221	5,486	5,614	2.3
East North Central	199	5,451	5,622	3.1
East South Central	232	4,922	5,071	3.0
West North Central	254	5,294	5,497	3.8
West South Central	273	4,711	4,875	3.5
Mountain	127	6,235	6,436	3.2
Pacific	89	7,151	7,399	3.5
Puerto Rico	5	2,553	2,548	-0.2
By Payment Classification:	0.504	7,000	0.000	0.5
Urban hospitals	2,591	7,886	8,080	2.5
Large urban areas (populations over 1 million) Other urban areas (populations of 1 million of fewer)	1,572 1,019	8,283 7,302	8,502 7,460	2.7 2.2
Rural areas	1,496	5,355	5,516	3.0
Teaching Status:	1,490	3,333	3,310	3.0
Non-teaching	2,976	6,132	6,293	2.6
Fewer than 100 Residents	873	7,666	7,867	2.6
100 or more Residents	238	11,347	11.603	2.3
Urban DSH:		,	,000	
Non-DSH	1,381	6,624	6,803	2.7
100 or more beds	1,398	8,502	8,706	2.4
Less than 100 beds	276	5,447	5,579	2.4
Rural DSH:				
Sole Community (SCH)	484	5,239	5,434	3.7
Referral Center (RRC)	161	6,159	6,331	2.8
Other Rural: 100 or more beds	75	4,696	4,785	1.9
Less than 100 beds	312	4,278	4,386	2.5
Urban teaching and DSH:	774	0.000	0.500	0.5
Both teaching and DSH	771	9,333	9,562	2.5
Teaching and no DSH No teaching and DSH	273 903	7,618 6,852	7,814 7,009	2.6 2.3
No teaching and no DSH	644	6,174	6,341	2.3
Rural Hospital Types:	044	0,174	0,541	2.1
Non special status hospitals	521	4,445	4,544	2.2
RRC	149	5,851	6,003	2.6
SCH	494	5,630	5,849	3.9
Medicare-dependent hospitals (MDH)	254	4,168	4,305	3.3
SCH and RRC	78	6,757	6,982	3.3
Type of Ownership:				
Voluntary	2,435	7,532	7,722	2.5
Proprietary	699	7,087	7,272	2.6
Government	833	7,164	7,356	2.7
Unknown	120	7,431	7,565	1.8
Medicare Utilization as a Percent of Inpatient Days:	204	0.007	40.004	2.0
0–25	304	9,997	10,294	3.0
25–50	1,557 1,663	8,448 6,450	8,657 6,613	2.5 2.5
Over 65	459	5,764	5,916	2.7
Unknown	104	6,720	6,921	3.0
Hospitals Reclassified by the Medicare Geographic Classification Review Board: FY 2004 Reclassifications:	104	0,720	0,321	5.0
All Reclassified Hospitals	639	6,883	7,088	3.0
Standardized Amount Only	22	5,590	5,912	5.8
Wage Index Only	556	6,914	7,077	2.4
Both	33	6,081	6,269	3.1
All Nonreclassified Hospitals	3,442	7,542	7,734	2.5
All Urban Reclassified Hospitals	136	8,787	9,020	2.7
Urban Nonreclassified Hospitals	13	6,211	6,358	2.4
Standardized Amount Only	82	9,866	10,098	2.3

TABLE II.—IMPACT ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED CHANGES FOR FY 2004 OPERATING PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT SYSTEM— Continued

[Payments per case]

	Number of hospitals	Average FY 2003 payment per case ¹	Average FY 2004 payment per case ¹	All FY 2004 changes
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Wage Index Only	41	6,934	7,200	3.8
Both	2,415	7,853	8,045	2.4
All Reclassified Rural Hospitals	503	6,006	6,199	3.2
Standardized Amount Only	15	4,743	4,843	2.1
Wage Index Only	464	6,014	6,205	3.2
Both	24	6,242	6,482	3.8
Rural Nonreclassified Hospitals	999	4,624	4,756	2.8
Other Reclassified Hospitals (Section 1886(d)(8)(B))	34	4,950	5,039	1.8

¹ These payment amounts per case do not reflect any estimates of annual case-mix increase.

Table II presents the projected impact of the proposed changes for FY 2004 for urban and rural hospitals and for the different categories of hospitals shown in Table I. It compares the estimated payments per case for FY 2003 with the average estimated per case payments for FY 2004, as calculated under our models. Thus, this table presents, in terms of the average dollar amounts paid per discharge, the combined effects of the changes presented in Table I. The percentage changes shown in the last column of Table II equal the percentage changes in average payments from column 8 of Table I.

VII. Impact of Other Policy Changes

In addition to those proposed changes discussed above that we are able to model using our IPPS payment simulation model, we are proposing various other changes in this proposed rule. Generally, we have limited or no specific data available with which to estimate the impacts of these proposed changes. Our estimates of the likely impacts associated with these other proposed changes are discussed below.

A. Changes to Bed and Patient Day Counting Policies

1. Background

Under IPPS, both the IME and the DSH adjustments utilize statistics regarding the number of beds and patient days of a hospital to determine the level of the respective payment adjustment. For IME, hospitals receiving this adjustment want to minimize their numbers of beds in order to maximize their resident-to-bed ratio. For DSH, urban hospitals with 100 or more beds qualify for a higher payment adjustment, so some hospitals have an incentive to maximize their bed count to qualify for higher payments. Existing regulations specify that the number of beds is determined by counting the number of available bed days during the cost reporting period and dividing that number by the number of days in the cost reporting period.

2. Unoccupied Beds

Over the years, questions have arisen as to whether beds in rooms or entire units that are unoccupied for extended periods of time should continue to be counted on the basis

that, if there would ever be a need, they could be put into use. In section IV.C. of the preamble of this proposed rule, we are proposing to base the determination of whether a bed is available upon whether the unit where the bed is located is staffed for patient care. If the bed is located in a unit that was staffed by nurses to provide patient care at any time during the 3 preceding months, all of the beds in the unit would be counted for purposes of determining available bed days during the current month. If no patient care were provided in that unit during the 3 preceding months, the beds in the unit would be excluded from the determination of available bed days during the current month.

This proposal is primarily intended to establish clear and consistent guidelines for hospitals and fiscal intermediaries to use when determining whether beds should be counted. We do not anticipate this proposal would have a significant impact on payments. In some cases, previously uncounted beds would now be counted, such as when a hospital is undertaking to remodel a unit and that unit is temporarily unavailable for patient occupancy. Under the proposed policy, if the remodeling is completed in less than 3 months and patients are again being treated in the unit, all of the beds in the unit would be counted as available for the entire year.

3. Nonacute Care Beds and Days

The proposed rule would clarify that days attributable to a nonacute care unit or ward, regardless of whether the unit or ward is separately certified by Medicare or is adjacent to a unit or ward used to provide an acute level of care, would not be included in the count of bed or patient days. In a recent decision by the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals (*Alhambra Hosp.* v. *Thompson*, 259 F.3d 1017 (9th Cir. 2001)), the court found that our policy for counting patient days did not preclude a hospital from counting the patient days attributable to a nonacute care unit adjacent to an area of the hospital subject to the IPPS. Under this ruling, hospitals within the jurisdiction of the Ninth Circuit would be able to count those patient days.

Because the *Alhambra* decision was based on a regulatory interpretation, this proposed

rule, when finalized, would supersede the Alhambra decision in the Ninth Circuit. We estimate that if all hospitals in the Ninth Circuit that could take advantage of this ruling were currently doing so, the impact of this provision of the proposed rule would be \$184 million in reduced Medicare program payments to the affected hospitals in FY 2004 for DSH. This estimate reflects the impact of adding all days of non-Medicare certified nursing facilities to the count of inpatient days for hospitals in the nine States under the jurisdiction of the Ninth Circuit. For example, in Alaska, nursing facility days constitute 11 percent of total Medicaid inpatient days. If all of these nursing facility days are currently included in the Medicaid inpatient days count, we estimate this proposed provision would reduce Medicare DSH payments to Alaska's hospitals by \$662,097.

We are unable to estimate the effect of this proposed provision on specific hospitals because we are not aware of specific hospitals that are presently including those inpatient days in their calculation of Medicaid days for purposes of determining their Medicare DSH percentage. However, we expect the impact on any particular hospital would be minimal (with no impact on the level of beneficiary services), because the days attributable to patients receiving these limited benefit programs should be only a small portion of the overall Medicaid days at any particular hospital. No other provider types would be affected. However, because our policy is to count patient days and beds consistently, inclusion of the days of postacute care units in the DSH calculation would lead to an offsetting negative payment impact for teaching hospitals. The inclusion of additional beds decreases the resident-tobed ratios used to calculate the IME adjustments. Therefore, the actual potential impact on hospitals of this policy clarification is likely to be significantly less than \$184 million.

4. Observation and Swing-Beds

We are proposing to revise our regulations to clarify that swing-bed and observation bed days are to be excluded from the count of bed and patient days. Because this certification reflects our current policy, despite the fact that there has been some confusion and we have had adverse court decisions, we do not anticipate this clarification would have a significant impact on payments. We do not have data available that would enable us to identify those hospitals that have not been applying this policy and, therefore, would be required to change their policy. Consequently, we are unable to quantify the

Consequently, we are unable to quantify the impacts of this clarification.

5. Labor, Delivery, Recovery, and Postpartum Beds and Days

Similarly, in the case of labor, delivery, recovery, and postpartum rooms, we would clarify that it is necessary to apportion the days and costs of a patient stay between the labor/delivery ancillary cost centers and the routine adults and pediatrics cost center on the basis of the percentage of time during the entire stay associated with these various services. Because this is a clarification of existing policy, we do not anticipate this proposed change would have a significant payment impact. However, we do not have data available that would enable us to identify those hospitals that have not been applying this policy and, therefore, would be required to change their policy. Consequently, we are unable to quantify the impacts of this clarification.

6. Days Associated With Demonstration Projects Under Section 1115 of the Act

Some States have demonstration projects that provide family planning or outpatient drug benefits that are limited benefits that do not include Medicaid coverage for inpatient services. In this proposed rule, we also would clarify that any hospital inpatient days attributed to a patient who is not eligible for Medicaid inpatient hospital benefits either under the approved State plan or through a section 1115 waiver must not be counted in the calculation of Medicaid days for purposes of determining a hospital's DSH percentage.

We estimated the potential impact of the proposed clarification to our policy of excluding days associated with inpatients who are eligible only for Medicaid outpatient benefits. We identified the percentage of individuals receiving only outpatient family planning benefits under Medicaid compared to all Medicaid-eligible beneficiaries (this is currently the only outpatient-only category for which we have numbers of eligible beneficiaries). These percentages were calculated on a statewide basis for each State with a family planning benefit. Based on these percentages, assuming family planning beneficiaries use inpatient services at the same rate as all other Medicaid beneficiaries, we estimated the amount of total Medicare DSH payments for each State that may be attributable to family planning beneficiaries' use of inpatient services.

For example, in Alabama, total Medicare DSH payments in 1999 (the latest year for which a complete database of cost reports from all hospitals is available) were \$97.1 million. Because the percentage of family planning beneficiaries to total Medicaid eligible beneficiaries is 11.24 percent, we estimated 11.24 percent of \$97.1 million in Medicare DSH payments, or \$10.9 million, is the maximum amount of Medicare DSH that may currently be attributable to the inclusion

of inpatient days for individuals who are only eligible for outpatient family planning Medicaid benefits. Based on this analysis, we have identified the potential impact upon hospitals to be as much as \$290 million in reduced DSH payments from the Medicare program to those hospitals in FY 2004. Of this amount, \$170 million is attributable to California. This amount is not an impact on State programs nor does it require States to spend any additional money. We also note that we are not aware of any specific hospitals that are including inpatient days attributable to individuals with no inpatient Medicaid benefits. Therefore, this estimate reflects the maximum potential impact, but the actual impact is very likely to be much

We are unable to estimate the effect of this clarification on specific hospitals because we are not aware of specific hospitals that are presently including those inpatient days in their calculation of Medicaid days for purposes of determining their Medicare DSH percentage. However, we expect the impact on any particular hospital would be minimal (with no impact on the level of beneficiary services), because the days attributable to patients receiving these limited benefit programs should be only a small portion of the overall Medicaid days at any particular hospital. No other provider types would be affected.

7. Dual-Eligible Patient Days

We are proposing to change our policy for counting days for patients who are Medicare beneficiaries and also eligible for Medicaid, to begin to count in the Medicaid fraction of the DSH patient percentage the patient days of these dual-eligible Medicare beneficiaries whose Medicare coverage has expired. Our current policy regarding dual-eligible patient days is they are counted in the Medicare fraction and excluded from the Medicaid fraction, even if the patient has no Medicare Part A coverage or coverage has been exhausted. However, we recognize it is often difficult for fiscal intermediaries to differentiate the days for dual-eligible patients whose Part A coverage has been exhausted. We believe the impact of this proposed change would be minimal, both because situations where dual-eligible patients exhaust their Medicare benefits occur infrequently, and because, due to the administrative difficulty separately identifying these days, in many cases they are already included in the hospital's Medicaid fraction. Accordingly, we do not have data available to allow us to quantify the impact of this proposed change precisely.

8. Medicare+Choice (M+C) Days

We have received questions whether patients enrolled in a Medicare+Choice (M+C) Plan should be counted in the Medicare fraction or the Medicaid fraction of the DSH patient percentage calculation. The questions stem from whether M+C plan enrollees are entitled to Medicare Part A because M+C plans are administered through Medicare Part C. We are proposing to clarify that once a beneficiary elects Medicare Part C, those patient days attributable to the beneficiary should not be included in the Medicare fraction of the DSH patient

percentage. These patient days should be included in the count of total patient days in the Medicaid fraction (the denominator), and the patient's days for an M+C beneficiary who is also eligible for Medicaid would be included in the numerator of the Medicaid fraction.

We do not have data readily available to assess the impacts of this proposed change. In particular, it appears likely that there is some variation in how these days are currently being handled from one hospital and fiscal intermediary to the next. Nonetheless, we believe there should not be a major impact associated with this proposed change.

B. Costs of Approved Nursing and Allied Health Education Activities

1. Continuing Education

In section IV.E. of the preamble of this proposed rule, we are proposing to clarify further the distinction between continuing education, which is not eligible for passthrough payment, and approved educational programs, which are eligible for pass-through payment. An approved program that qualifies for pass-through payment is generally a program of long duration designed to develop trained practitioners in a nursing or allied health discipline, such as professional nursing, in which the individual learns "value-added" skills that enable him or her to work in a particular capacity upon completion of the program. Such a program is in contrast to a continuing education program in which a practitioner, such as a registered nurse, receives training in a specialized skill or a new technology. While such training is undoubtedly valuable in enabling the nurse to treat patients with special needs, the nurse, upon completion of the program, continues to function as a registered nurse, albeit one with an additional skill. We are proposing to clarify our policy concerning not allowing passthrough payment for continuing education because it has come to our attention that certain programs, which in our view constitute continuing education, such as pharmacy or clinical pastoral education, are inappropriately receiving pass-through payment.

To the extent that Medicare would no longer pay for such programs as pharmacy and clinical pastoral education, Medicare payments would be reduced. We believe that these two programs comprise a small fraction of the approximately \$230 million that are paid for all nursing and allied health education programs under Medicare.

2. Nonprovider-Operated Nursing and Allied Health Education Programs With Wholly Owned Subsidiary Educational Institutions

As discussed in section IV.E.3. of this proposed rule, we are proposing that Medicare would not recoup reasonable cost payment from hospitals that have received pass-through payment for portions of cost reporting periods occurring on or before October 1, 2003 (the effective date of finalizing this proposed rule) for costs of nursing or allied health education program(s) where the program(s) had originally been operated by the hospital, and then operation

of program(s) had been transferred by the hospital to a wholly owned subsidiary educational institution in order to meet accreditation standards prior to October 1, 2003, and where the hospital had continued to incur the costs of both the classroom and clinical training portions of the programs while the program(s) were operated by the educational institution. We estimate that the costs to the Medicare program of this proposal would be approximately \$10 to \$20 million. We do not believe many hospitals fit the criteria described above of previously receiving Medicare payment for direct operation of nursing or allied health education program(s) and then transferring operation of the program(s) to a wholly owned subsidiary educational institution, all the while incurring the classroom and clinical training costs of the program(s).

In addition, we are also proposing that, for portions of cost reporting periods beginning on or after October 1, 2003, a hospital that meets the criteria described above may continue to receive reasonable cost payments for clinical training costs incurred by the hospital for the nursing and allied health education program(s) that were operated by the hospital prior to the date the hospital transferred operation of the program(s) to its wholly owned subsidiary educational institution (and ceased to be a provideroperated program). We are further proposing that, with respect to classroom costs, only those classroom costs incurred by the hospital for the courses that were paid by Medicare on a reasonable cost basis and included in the hospital's provider-operated program(s) could continue to be reimbursed on a reasonable cost basis. We estimate the costs to the Medicare program for this proposal would be \$1 to \$2 million per year.

C. Prohibition Against Counting Residents Where Other Entities Have Previously Incurred the Training Costs

As we explain in section IV.F.2. of the preamble of this proposed rule, under section 1886(h) of the Act, hospitals may count the time that residents spend training in nonhospital sites if they meet certain conditions, including incurring "all or substantially all" of the costs of training at the nonhospital site. Legislative history indicates that the purpose of this provision is to encourage hospitals to provide more training outside the traditional hospital environment.

It has come to our attention that hospitals have been incurring the costs of and receiving direct GME and IME payment for residency training that had previously been occurring in nonhospital settings, without the financial support of the hospitals. We believe that where no new or additional training is provided in these nonhospital settings, the receipt of Medicare payment in such cases is contrary to Congressional intent and is, therefore, inappropriate. In addition, it violates Medicare's anti-redistribution principle, which states that Medicare will not share in the costs of educational activities of a hospital that represent a redistribution of costs from the community to the hospital. Accordingly, we are proposing to revise our policy concerning counting residents to

ensure that Medicare IME and direct GME payments are not made to hospitals for training that had already been in place in the absence of the hospital's financial support. We are proposing that effective October 1, 2003, in order for a hospital to receive IME and direct GME payment, the hospital must have been continuously incurring the direct GME costs of residents training in a particular program since the date the resident first began training in the program in order for the hospital to count the FTE residents.

By prohibiting payment for residency training that had been previously supported by nonhospital institutions, this proposal would reduce the amount of direct GME and IME payments received by hospitals. Although we cannot estimate the impact on programs nationally, we are aware that two hospitals in New York were receiving over \$10 million annually for payments for dental residents training in nonhospital sites (including a site in Hawaii). Another hospital in Boston was receiving over \$2 million annually for dental residents training at a dental school.

D. Rural Track GME Training Programs

1. Reduction in the Time Required for Training Residents in a Rural Area

As explained in section IV.F.3 of the preamble of this proposed rule, under existing regulations, if an urban hospital rotates residents to a separately accredited rural track program in a rural area for twothirds of the duration of the training program, the urban hospital may receive an increase in its FTE cap to reflect the time those residents train at the urban hospital. When we first implemented these regulations, we did so based on our understanding that the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) requires that at least two-thirds of the duration of the program be spent in a rural area. However, it has come to our attention that, while the ACGME generally follows a one-third/two-thirds model for accreditation, the rural training requirement is actually somewhat less than two-thirds of the duration of the program. Therefore, we are proposing to revise the regulations to state that if an urban hospital rotates residents to a separately accredited rural track program in a rural area for more than 50 percent of the duration of the training program, the urban hospital may receive an increase in its FTE cap to reflect the time those residents train at the urban hospital. We estimate that this proposal would only slightly increase Medicare payments for IME and direct GME costs

2. Inclusion of Rural Track FTE Residents in the Rolling Average Calculation

As explained in section IV.F.4 of the preamble of this proposed rule, when we first issued the regulations concerning residents training in a rural track program, we inadvertently did not specify in regulations that these residents would be included in the hospital's rolling average count of FTE residents used for computing GME payment. We are proposing to make this technical clarification to the regulations. We believe that this proposed provision would not have a budget impact because it is a clarification of existing policy.

VIII. Impact of Proposed Changes in the Capital PPS

A. General Considerations

Fiscal year 2001 was the last year of the 10year transition period established to phase in the PPS for hospital capital-related costs. During the transition period, hospitals were paid under one of two payment methodologies: Fully prospective or hold harmless. Under the fully prospective methodology, hospitals were paid a blend of the Federal rate and their hospital-specific rate (see § 412.340). Under the hold-harmless methodology, unless a hospital elected payment based on 100 percent of the Federal rate, hospitals were paid 85 percent of reasonable costs for old capital costs (100 percent for SCHs) plus an amount for new capital costs based on a proportion of the Federal rate (see § 412.344). As we state in section V. of the preamble of this proposed rule, with the 10-year transition period ending with hospital cost reporting periods beginning on or after October 1, 2001 (FY 2002), beginning in FY 2004 capital prospective payment system payments for most hospitals are based solely on the Federal rate. Therefore, we no longer include information on obligated capital costs or projections of old capital costs and new capital costs, which were factors needed to calculate payments during the transition period, for our impact analysis.

In accordance with § 412.312, the basic methodology for determining a capital prospective payment system payment is: (Standard Federal Rate) × (DRG weight) ×

(Geographic Adjustment Factor (GAF)) × (Large Urban Add-on, if applicable) × (COLA adjustment for hospitals located in Alaska and Hawaii) × (1 + Disproportionate Share (DSH) Adjustment Factor + Indirect Medical Education (IME) Adjustment Factor, if applicable).

In addition, hospitals may also receive outlier payments for those cases that qualify under the threshold established for each fiscal year.

The data used in developing the impact analysis presented below are taken from the December 2002 update of the FY 2002 MedPAR file and the December 2002 update of the Provider Specific File that is used for payment purposes. Although the analyses of the changes to the capital prospective payment system do not incorporate cost data, we used the December 2002 update of the most recently available hospital cost report data (FY 2000) to categorize hospitals. Our analysis has several qualifications. First, we do not make adjustments for behavioral changes that hospitals may adopt in response to policy changes. Second, due to the interdependent nature of the prospective payment system, it is very difficult to precisely quantify the impact associated with each proposed change. Third, we draw upon various sources for the data used to categorize hospitals in the tables. In some cases (for instance, the number of beds), there is a fair degree of variation in the data from different sources. We have attempted to construct these variables with the best available sources overall. However, for

individual hospitals, some miscategorizations are possible.

Using cases from the December 2002 update of the FY 2002 MedPAR file, we simulated payments under the capital prospective payment system for FY 2003 and FY 2004 for a comparison of total payments per case. Any short-term, acute care hospitals not paid under the general hospital inpatient prospective payment systems (Indian Health Service Hospitals and hospitals in Maryland) are excluded from the simulations.

As we explain in section III.A.4. of the Addendum of this proposed rule, payments will no longer be made under the regular exceptions provision under §§ 412.348(b) through (e). Therefore, we are no longer using the actuarial capital cost model (described in Appendix B of August 1, 2001 final rule (66 FR 40099)). We modeled payments for each hospital by multiplying the Federal rate by the GAF and the hospital's case-mix. We then added estimated payments for indirect medical education, disproportionate share, large urban add-on, and outliers, if applicable. For purposes of this impact analysis, the model includes the following assumptions:

- We estimate that the Medicare case-mix index would increase by 1.01505 percent in FY 2003 and would increase by 1.02010 percent in FY 2004.
- We estimate that the Medicare discharges will be 14,288,000 in FY 2003 and 14,507,000 in FY 2004 for a 1.5 percent increase from FY 2003 to FY 2004.
- The Federal capital rate was updated beginning in FY 1996 by an analytical framework that considers changes in the prices associated with capital-related costs and adjustments to account for forecast error, changes in the case-mix index, allowable changes in intensity, and other factors. The proposed FY 2004 update is 0.7 percent (see section III.A.1.a. of the Addendum to this proposed rule).
- In addition to the proposed FY 2004 update factor, the proposed FY 2004 Federal rate was calculated based on a GAF/DRG budget neutrality factor of 1.0038, an outlier adjustment factor of 0.9455, and a (special) exceptions adjustment factor of 0.9995.

2. Results

In the past, in this impact section we presented the redistributive effects that were expected to occur between "hold-harmless"

hospitals and "fully prospective" hospitals and a cross-sectional summary of hospital groupings by the capital prospective payment system transition period payment methodology. We are no longer including this information since all hospitals (except new hospitals under § 412.324(b) and under § 412.304(c)(2)) are paid 100 percent of the Federal rate in FY 2004.

We used the actuarial model described above to estimate the potential impact of our proposed changes for FY 2004 on total capital payments per case, using a universe of 3,922 hospitals. As described above, the individual hospital payment parameters are taken from the best available data, including the December 2002 update of the FY 2002 MedPAR file, the December 2002 update to the Provider-Specific File, and the most recent cost report data from the December 2002 update of HCRIS. In Table III, we present a comparison of total payments per case for FY 2003 compared to FY 2004 based on the proposed FY 2004 payment policies. Column 2 shows estimates of payments per case under our model for FY 2003. Column 3 shows estimates of payments per case under our model for FY 2004. Column 4 shows the total percentage change in payments from FY 2003 to FY 2004. The change represented in Column 4 includes the 0.7 percent update to the Federal rate, a 1.02010 percent increase in case-mix, changes in the adjustments to the Federal rate (for example, the effect of the new hospital wage index on the geographic adjustment factor), and reclassifications by the MGCRB, as well as changes in special exception payments. The comparisons are provided by: (1) Geographic location; (2) region; and (3) payment classification.

The simulation results show that, on average, capital payments per case can be expected to increase 1.0 percent in FY 2004. Our comparison by geographic location shows an overall increase in payments to hospitals in all areas. This comparison also shows that urban and rural hospitals will experience different rates of increase in capital payments per case (0.9 percent and 1.5 percent, respectively). This difference is due to a projection that rural hospitals will experience a larger increase in the GAF due to reclassifications from rural to urban and a slightly larger increase in DSH and IME payments from FY 2003 to FY 2004 compared to urban hospitals.

All regions are estimated to receive an increase in total capital payments per case. Changes by region vary from a minimum increase of 0.4 percent (Middle Atlantic urban region) to a maximum increase of 2.1 percent (New England rural region). Hospitals located in Puerto Rico are expected to experience an increase in total capital payments per case of 1.3 percent.

By type of ownership, government hospitals are projected to have the largest rate of increase of total payment changes (1.2 percent). Similarly, payments to voluntary hospitals will increase 1.0 percent, while payments to proprietary hospitals will increase 0.9 percent.

Section 1886(d)(10) of the Act established the MGCRB. Hospitals may apply for reclassification for purposes of the standardized amount, wage index, or both. Although the Federal capital rate is not affected, a hospital's geographic classification for purposes of the operating standardized amount does affect a hospital's capital payments as a result of the large urban adjustment factor and the disproportionate share adjustment for urban hospitals with 100 or more beds. Reclassification for wage index purposes also affects the geographic adjustment factor, since that factor is constructed from the hospital wage index.

To present the effects of the hospitals being reclassified for FY 2004 compared to the effects of reclassification for FY 2003, we show the average payment percentage increase for hospitals reclassified in each fiscal year and in total. The reclassified groups are compared to all other nonreclassified hospitals. These categories are further identified by urban and rural designation.

Hospitals reclassified for FY 2004 as a whole are projected to experience a 1.7 percent increase in payments. Payments to nonreclassified hospitals would increase almost half as much (0.9 percent) as reclassified hospitals, overall. Hospitals reclassified during both FY 2003 and FY 2004 are projected to receive an increase in payments of 1.4 percent. Hospitals reclassified during FY 2004 only are projected to receive an increase in payments of 4.9 percent. This increase is primarily due to changes in the GAF (wage index).

TABLE III.—COMPARISON OF TOTAL PAYMENTS PER CASE

[FY 2003 payments compared to proposed FY 2004 payments]

	Number of hospitals	Average FY 2003 pay- ments/case	Average FY 2004 pay- ments/case	Change
By Geographic Location:				
All hospitals	3,922	706	713	1.0
Large urban areas (populations over 1 million)	1,420	808	815	0.9
Other urban areas (populations of 1 million of fewer)	1,041	693	700	1.0
Rural areas	1,461	476	483	1.5
Urban hospitals	2,461	758	765	0.9
0-99 beds	549	529	535	1.0
100-199 beds	884	643	649	1.0
200-299 beds	501	728	735	0.9
300-499 beds	373	809	817	1.1
500 or more beds	154	959	967	0.8
Rural hospitals	1.461	476	483	1.5

TABLE III.—COMPARISON OF TOTAL PAYMENTS PER CASE—Continued [FY 2003 payments compared to proposed FY 2004 payments]

	Number of hospitals	Average FY 2003 pay- ments/case	Average FY 2004 pay- ments/case	Change
0–49 beds	659	390	396	1.6
50-99 beds	469	440	446	1.4
100–149 beds	198	483	488	1.2
150–199 beds	70	524	530	1.3
200 or more beds	65	594	606	2.0
By Region: Urban by Region	2,461	758	765	0.9
New England	131	808	820	1.5
Middle Atlantic	386	851	854	0.4
South Atlantic	356	724	729	0.8
East North Central	409	726	734	1.0
East South Central	152	684	695	1.6
West North Central	168	732	741	1.3
West South Central	303	711	715	0.6
Mountain Pacific	119	732 893	744 904	1.6 1.2
Puerto Rico	44	317	322	1.3
Rural by Region	1,461	476	483	1.5
New England	38	591	603	2.1
Middle Atlantic	66	500	506	1.0
South Atlantic	218	490	496	1.2
East North Central	195	490	497	1.6
East South Central	229	435	443	1.6
West North Central	248	468	477	1.9
West South Central	263	426	432	1.5
Mountain	117	506	511	0.9
Pacific By Payment Classification:	82	564	574	1.7
All hospitals	3,922	706	713	1.0
Large urban areas (populations over 1 million)	1,497	799	807	1.0
Other urban areas (populations of 1 million of fewer)	972	697	703	0.9
Rural areas	1,453	474	479	1.2
Teaching Status:.				
Non-teaching	2,829	580	586	1.0
Fewer than 100 Residents	857	733	741	1.1
100 or more Residents	236	1,074	1,083	0.8
Urban DSH: 100 or more beds	1,373	798	806	1.0
Less than 100 beds	258	528	531	0.7
Rural DSH:	200	020	001	0.7
Sole Community (SCH/EACH)	476	417	423	1.5
Referral Center (RRC/EACH)	161	546	553	1.2
Other Rural:				
100 or more beds	72	447	448	0.3
Less than 100 beds	301	405	410	1.3
Urban teaching and DSH:	760	076	005	1.0
Both teaching and DSH Teaching and no DSH	762 264	876 766	885 774	1.0 1.0
No teaching and DSH	869	644	650	0.8
No teaching and no DSH	574	627	634	1.1
Rural Hospital Types:		_		
Non special status hospitals	495	426	430	0.8
RRC/EACH	148	554	561	1.2
SCH/EACH	482	437	444	1.4
Medicare-dependent hospitals (MDH)	250	394	400	1.6
SCH, RRC and EACH	78	540	546	1.2
Hospitals Reclassified by the Medicare Geographic Classification Review Board:				
Reclassification Status During FY2003 and FY2004:				
Reclassified During Both FY2003 and FY2004.	562	621	629	1.4
Reclassified During FY2004 Only	68	600	630	4.9
Reclassified During FY2003 Only	43	601	575	-4.2
FY2004 Reclassifications:				_
All Reclassified Hospitals	630	619	630	1.7
All Nonreclassified Hospitals	3,258	723	729	0.9
All Urban Reclassified Hospitals	131	815	828	1.6
Urban Nonreclassified Hospitals	2,299	756	763	0.9
All Reclassified Rural Hospitals	499	528	537	1.8
Rural Nonreclassified Hospitals	959	410	414	0.9

TABLE III.—COMPARISON OF TOTAL PAYMENTS PER CASE—Continued

[FY 2003 payments compared to pro-	oposed FY 2004	payments]

	Number of hospitals	Average FY 2003 pay- ments/case	Average FY 2004 pay- ments/case	Change
Other Reclassified Hospitals (Section 1886(D)(8)(B))	34	486	472	-2.8
Voluntary	2,404	719	726	1.0
Proprietary	674	691	697	0.9
Government	813	645	652	1.2
Medicare Utilization as a Percent of Inpatient Days:				
0–25	291	901	914	1.4
25–50	1,529	804	812	0.9
50–65	1,645	615	621	1.0
Over 65	446	556	561	1.0

Appendix B: Recommendation of Update Factors for Operating Cost Rates of Payment for Inpatient Hospital Services

I. Background

Section 1886(e)(4)(A) of the Act requires that the Secretary, taking into consideration the recommendations of the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission (MedPAC), recommend update factors for inpatient hospital services for each fiscal year that take into account the amounts necessary for the efficient and effective delivery of medically appropriate and necessary care of high quality. Under section 1886(e)(5) of the Act, we are required to publish the proposed update factors recommended under section 1886(e)(4) of the Act in this proposed rule, and the final update factors recommended by the Secretary in the final rule. Accordingly, this Appendix provides the recommendations of appropriate update factors for the IPPS standardized amounts, the hospital-specific rates for SCHs and MDHs, and the rate-of-increase limits for hospitals and hospitals units excluded from the IPPS. We also discuss our update framework and respond to MedPAC's recommendations concerning the update factors.

II. Secretary's Recommendations

Section 1886(b)(3)(B)(i)(XIX) of the Act sets the FY 2004 percentage increase in the operating cost standardized amounts equal to the rate of increase in the hospital market basket for IPPS hospitals in all areas. Based on the Office of the Actuary's first quarter 2003 forecast of the FY 2004 market basket increase, the proposed update to the standardized amounts is 3.5 percent (that is, the market basket rate of increase) for hospitals in both large urban and other areas.

Section 1886(b)(3)(B)(iv) of the Act sets the FY 2004 percentage increase in the hospital-specific rates applicable to SCHs and MDHs equal to the rate set forth in section 1886(b)(3)(B)(i) of the Act (that is, the same update factor as all other hospitals subject to the IPPS, or the rate of increase in the market basket). Therefore, the proposed update to the hospital-specific rate applicable to SCHs and MDHs is also 3.5 percent.

Under section 1886(b)(3)(B)(ii) of the Act, the FY 2004 percentage increase in the rate-

of-increase limits for hospitals and hospital units excluded from the IPPS (psychiatric hospitals and units, rehabilitation hospitals and units (now referred to as IRFs), LTCHs, cancer hospitals, and children's hospitals) is the market basket percentage increase. In the past, hospitals and hospital units excluded from the IPPS have been paid based on their reasonable costs subject to limits as established by the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 (TEFRA). However, some of these categories of excluded hospitals and units have begun to be paid under prospective payment systems. Hospitals and units that receive any hospitalspecific payments will have those payments subject to TEFRA limits for FY 2004. For these hospitals, the proposed update is the percentage increase in the excluded hospital market basket (currently estimated at 3.5 percent).

IRFs are paid under the IRF PPS for cost reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2002. For cost reporting periods beginning during FY 2004, the Federal prospective payment for IRFs is based on 100 percent of the adjusted Federal IRF prospective payment amount, updated annually.

Effective for cost reporting periods beginning during FY 2003, LTCHs are paid under the LTCH PPS under which they receive payment based on a 5-year transition period (see the August 30, 2002 final rule (67 FR 55954)). An LTCH may elect to be paid on 100 percent of the Federal prospective rate at the start of any of its cost reporting periods during the 5-year transition period. For purposes of the update factor, the portion of the LTCH PPS transition blend payment based on reasonable costs for inpatient operating services is determined by updating the LTCH's TEFRA limit by the current estimate of the excluded hospital market basket (or 3.5 percent).

III. Update Framework

Consistent with current law, we are proposing an update recommendation equal to the full market basket percentage increase for the IPPS operating cost standardized amounts for FY 2004. We also have analyzed changes in hospital productivity, scientific and technological advances, practice pattern changes, changes in case-mix, the effect of reclassification on recalibration, and forecast

error correction. A discussion of this analysis is below.

A. Productivity

Service level labor productivity is defined as the ratio of total service output to full-time equivalent employees (FTEs). While we recognize that productivity is a function of many variables (for example, labor, nonlabor material, and capital inputs), we use the portion of productivity attributed to direct labor since this update framework applies to operating payment. To recognize that we are apportioning the short-run output changes to the labor input and not considering the nonlabor inputs, we weight our productivity measure by the share of direct labor services in the market basket to determine the expected effect on cost per case.

Our recommendation for the service productivity component is based on historical trends in productivity and total output for both the hospital industry and the general economy, and projected levels of future hospital service output. MedPAC's predecessor, the Prospective Payment Assessment Commission (ProPAC), estimated cumulative service productivity growth to be 4.9 percent from 1985 through 1989 or 1.2 percent annually. At the same time, ProPAC estimated total output growth at 3.4 percent annually, implying a ratio of service productivity growth to output growth of 0.35.

Absent a productivity measure specific to Medicare patients, we examined productivity (output per hour) and output (gross domestic product) for the economy. Depending on the exact time period, annual changes in productivity range from 0.30 to 0.35 percent of the change in output (that is, a 1.0 percent increase in output would be correlated with a 0.30 percent to a 0.35 percent change in output per hour).

Under our framework, the recommended update is based in part on expected productivity—that is, projected service output during the year, multiplied by the historical ratio of service productivity to total service output, multiplied by the share of direct labor in total operating inputs, as calculated in the hospital market basket. This method estimates an expected productivity improvement in the same proportion to expected total service growth that has occurred in the past and assumes that, at a minimum, growth in FTEs changes

proportionally to the growth in total service output. Thus, the recommendation allows for unit productivity to be smaller than the historical averages in years during which output growth is relatively low and larger in years during which output growth is higher than the historical averages. Based on the above estimates from both the hospital industry and the economy, we have chosen to employ the range of ratios of productivity change to output change of 0.30 to 0.35.

The expected change in total hospital service output is the product of projected growth in total admissions (adjusted for outpatient usage), projected real case-mix growth, expected quality-enhancing intensity growth, and net of expected decline in intensity due to reduction of cost-ineffective practice. Case-mix growth and intensity numbers for Medicare are used as proxies for those of the total hospital, since case-mix increases (used in the intensity measure as well) are unavailable for non-Medicare patients. Normally, the expected FY 2004 hospital output growth would be simply the sum of the expected change in intensity (1.0 percent), projected admissions change (1.6 percent), and projected real case-mix growth (1.0 percent—a definition of real case mix growth appears below), or 3.6 percent. However, as discussed below and in relation to the proposed capital update, we believe our intensity estimate is skewed by hospitals' charge data. Therefore, we are including only the projected changes in admissions and real case-mix in our calculation of productivity gains. This results in an estimate of 2.6 percent.

The share of direct labor services in the market basket (consisting of wages, salaries, and employee benefits) is 61.6 percent. Multiplying the expected change in total hospital service output (2.6 percent) by the ratio of historical service productivity change to total service growth of 0.30 to 0.35 and by the direct labor share percentage of 61.6 provides our productivity standard of -0.6 to -0.5 percent. Because productivity gains hold down the rate of increase in hospitals' costs, this factor is applied as a negative offset to the market basket increase.

B. Intensity

The intensity factor for the operating update framework reflects how hospital services are utilized to produce the final product, that is, the discharge. This component accounts for changes in the use of quality-enhancing services, changes in within-DRG severity, and expected modification of practice patterns to remove non-cost-effective services. Under the capital IPPS framework, we also make an adjustment for changes in intensity. We calculate this adjustment using the same methodology and data that are used in the framework for the operating IPPS.

We calculate case-mix constant intensity as the change in total Medicare charges per admission, adjusted for price level changes (the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for hospital and related services) and changes in real case-mix. The use of total charges in the calculation of the intensity factor makes it a total intensity factor, that is, charges for capital services are already built into the calculation of the factor.

However, as discussed above in relation to the proposed capital update, because our intensity calculation relies heavily upon charge data and we believe that this charge data may be inappropriately inflated due to manipulation of charges to maximize outlier payments, we are proposing a 0.0 percent adjustment for intensity in FY 2004. In past fiscal years (1996 through 2000) when we found intensity to be declining, we believed a zero (rather then negative) intensity adjustment was appropriate. Similarly, we believe that it is appropriate to propose a zero intensity adjustment for FY 2004 until we determine that any increase in charges can be tied to intensity, rather than to attempts to maximize outlier payments.

C. Change in Case-Mix

Our analysis takes into account projected changes in real case-mix, less the changes attributable to improved coding practices. We define real case-mix change as actual changes in the mix (and resource requirements) of Medicare patients, as opposed to changes in

coding behavior that result in assignment of cases to higher-weighted DRGs but do not reflect greater resource requirements. For our FY 2004 update recommendation, we are projecting a 1.0 percent increase in the casemix index. We do not believe changes in coding behavior will impact the overall casemix in FY 2004. As such, for FY 2004, we estimate that real case-mix is equal to projected change in case-mix. Thus, we are recommending a 0.0 percent adjustment for case-mix.

D. Effect of FY 2002 DRG Reclassification and Recalibration

We estimate that DRG reclassification and recalibration for FY 2002 (GROUPER version 19.0) resulted in a 0 percent change in the case-mix index when compared with the case-mix index that would have resulted if we had not made the reclassification and recalibration changes to the GROUPER (version 18.0). Therefore, we are recommending a 0 percent adjustment for the effect of FY 2002 DRG reclassification and recalibration.

E. Forecast Error Correction

We make a forecast error correction if the actual market basket changes differ from the forecasted market basket by 0.25 percentage points or more. There is a 2-year lag between the forecast and the measurement of forecast error. The estimated market basket percentage increase used to update the FY 2002 payment rates was 3.3 percent. Our most recent data indicates the actual FY 2002 increase was 2.9 percent. The resulting forecast error in the FY 2002 market basket rate of increase is (-0.4) percentage points. This overestimate was due largely to a lowerthan-expected increase in energy costs that impacted natural gas and chemical prices. This follows consecutive years where the market basket was under-forecast by 0.7 percentage points each year.

The following is a summary of the update range supported by our analyses:

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Market basket	MB
Policy Adjustment Factors: Productivity	-0.6 to -0.5
Intensity Subtotal	0.0 -0.6 to -0.5
Case-Mix Adjustment Factors: Projected Case-Mix Change	1.0
Real Across DRG Change	-1.0
Subtotal	0.0
Forecast Error Correction	-0.4 -1.0 to -0.9

IV. MedPAC Recommendations for Assessing Payment Adequacy and Updating Payments in Traditional Medicare

In the past, MedPAC recommended specific adjustments to its update recommendation for each of the factors discussed under section III. of this Appendix. In its March 2003 Report to Congress, MedPAC assesses the adequacy of current payments and costs and the relationship between payments and an appropriate cost base. MedPAC stresses that the issue at hand is whether payments are too high or too low, and not how they became such. In the first portion of MedPAC's analysis on the assessment of payment adequacy, the Commission reviews the relationship between costs and payments (typically represented as a margin). Based on the latest cost report data available, MedPAC estimated an inpatient Medicare operating margin for

FY 2000 of 10.8 percent (down from 12.3 percent for FY 1999).

MedPAC also projects margins through FY 2003, making certain assumptions about changes in payments and costs. On the payment side, MedPAC applied the annual payment updates (as specified by law for FYs 2001 through 2003) and then modeled the effects of other policy changes that have affected the level of payments. On the cost side, MedPAC estimated the increases in cost per unit of output over the same time period at the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable market basket index generated by CMS adjusted downward, anticipating improvements in productivity. While no specific Medicare inpatient margin is identified for a calendar year beyond 2000, MedPAC projected an overall Medicare margin for FY 2003 of 3.9 percent (page 41). The FY 2000 overall Medicare margin, as estimated by MedPAC, was 5.0 percent.

In addition to considering the relationship between estimated payments and costs, MedPAC also considered the following three factors to assess whether current payments are adequate (page 42):

- Changes in access to or quality of care;
- Changes in the volume of services or number of providers; and
- Change in providers' access to capital.

 MedPAC's assessment of aggregate

 Medicare payments finds that payments were
 at least adequate as of FY 2003.

MedPAC's recommendation related to updating payments under the IPPS is that the Congress should increase the payment rates for the IPPS by the rate of increase in the hospital market basket, less 0.4 percent, for FY 2004. MedPAC focuses on the operating update exclusively because operating costs account for about 92 percent of total hospital costs and because the operating update is of most interest to Congress. Based on the

current market basket estimate for FY 2003 of 3.5 percent, this update would increase Medicare inpatient payments to hospitals covered by IPPS by 3.1 percent.

Response: As described above, we are recommending a full market basket update for FY 2004 consistent with current law. We believe this will appropriately balance incentives for hospitals to operate efficiently with the need to provide sufficient payments to maintain access to quality care for Medicare beneficiaries.

Because the operating and capital prospective payment systems remain separate, CMS continues to use separate updates for operating and capital payments. The proposed update to the capital payment rate is discussed in section III. of the Addendum to this proposed rule.

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