

Article - Health - General19-710.1.

(b) (1) In addition to any other provisions of this subtitle, for a covered service rendered to an enrollee of a health maintenance organization by a health care provider not under written contract with the health maintenance organization, the health maintenance organization or its agent:

(i) Shall pay the health care provider within 30 days after the receipt of a claim in accordance with the applicable provisions of this subtitle; and

(ii) Shall pay the claim submitted by:

1. A hospital at the rate approved by the Health Services Cost Review Commission;

2. A trauma physician for trauma care rendered to a trauma patient in a trauma center, at the greater of:

A. 140% of the rate paid by the Medicare program, as published by the [Health Care Financing Administration] CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES, for the same covered service, to a similarly licensed provider; or

B. The rate as of January 1, 2001 that the health maintenance organization paid in the same geographic area, AS PUBLISHED BY THE CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES, for the same covered service, to a similarly licensed provider; and

3. Any other health care provider at the greater of:

A. 125% of the rate the health maintenance organization pays in the same geographic area, AS PUBLISHED BY THE CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES, for the same covered service, to a similarly licensed provider under written contract with the health maintenance organization; or

B. The rate as of January 1, 2000 that the health maintenance organization paid in the same geographic area, AS PUBLISHED BY THE CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES, for the same covered service, to a similarly licensed provider not under written contract with the health maintenance organization.

(2) A health maintenance organization shall disclose, on request of a health care provider not under written contract with the health maintenance organization, the reimbursement rate required under paragraph (1)(ii)2 and 3 of this subsection.

(3) (i) Subject to subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, a health maintenance organization may require a trauma physician not under contract with the health maintenance organization to submit appropriate adjunct claims documentation and to include on the uniform claim form a provider number assigned to the trauma physician by the health maintenance organization.