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DWC Issues 15-Day Notice of Modification to Proposed Hospital Outpatient Departments and Ambulatory Surgical Centers (HOPD/ASC) Fee Schedule Regulations

The Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC) has posted a first 15-day notice of modification to the proposed hospital outpatient departments and ambulatory surgical centers (HOPD/ASC) fee schedule regulations to the DWC website.

Members of the public are invited to present written comments regarding the proposed modifications noticed in the first 15-day comment period until 5 p.m. on April 28, 2014.

The proposed modifications include:

- Updating the definitions of emergency room visit and surgical procedures to conform to Medicare and HCPCS coding changes.
- Providing a base facility fee "formula" to give additional clarification regarding the payment methodology for "Other Services" that are determined solely on the non-facility practice expense relative value units.
- Clarifying that the alternative payment methodology will be inapplicable for dates of service on or after the effective date of the proposed regulations.

The notice and text of the regulations can be found on the proposed regulations [page](#).

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