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DWC Files Amendment to Hospital Outpatient Departments and Ambulatory Surgical Centers Fee Schedule Section of Official Medical Fee Schedule with Secretary of State

The Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC) has adopted and filed an amendment to the hospital outpatient departments and ambulatory surgical centers fee schedule section in the official medical fee schedule (OMFS) with the Secretary of State.

The amended regulation:

- Transitions hospital outpatient department facility fee allowances currently paid under the pre-2014 OMFS physician fee schedule to be paid an OMFS RBRVSbased facility fee;
- Makes the alternative payment methodology inapplicable for services rendered on or after September 1, 2014; and
- Adjusts the Medicare multiplier to conform to changes in Medicare's payment rules regarding the additional percentage added for outliers;
- · Makes minor clarifications and technical edits.

The regulation amends title 8, California Code of Regulations sections 9789.30, 9789.31, 9789.32, 9789.33, 9789.37, and 9789.39, and is effective September 1, 2014. The regulation can be found on the DWC website.

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