

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation will hold a public hearing on Friday, December 19, 2014, at 1:00 p.m., in Room 1, Level 2, 30 West Spring Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215, to consider the following:

**Amendment of the following rule:**

4123-6-37.1 Payment of hospital inpatient services.

The Bureau is proposing the following amendments:

- To adopt version 32.0 of the MS-DRGs and pricing factors as published in Medicare's Inpatient Prospective Payment System (IPPS) Final Rule.
- To modify the current inlier payment adjustment factor (PAF) to one hundred ten point seven percent (110.7%) of the applicable MS-DRG rate for urban hospitals as designated by Medicare and to one hundred twenty six point eight percent (126.8%) for rural hospitals as designated by Medicare.
- To modify the current outlier payment adjustment factor (PAF) to one hundred eighty point seven percent (180.7%) of the applicable MS-DRG rate for urban hospitals as designated by Medicare and to two hundred thirty percent (230%) for rural hospitals as designated by Medicare.
- And, to make the new hospital inpatient reimbursement rule applicable to hospital inpatient services with a discharge date of February 1, 2015 or later.

The full and complete text of the proposed rules is available at the Register of Ohio (<http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us>) and is on file in the office of the Secretary of State (180 East Broad Street, 15th Floor, Columbus, Ohio), the Legislative Service Commission (77 South High Street, 9th Floor, Columbus, Ohio), the office of the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (77 South High Street, Concourse Level, Columbus, Ohio), the Bureau of Workers' Compensation, Legal Operations (30 West Spring Street, 26th Floor, Columbus, Ohio), the Bureau of Workers' Compensation (30 West Spring Street, Columbus, Ohio, 1st Floor, Hearing Rooms), and all service offices of the Bureau. All interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard. Any interested party unable to attend the public hearing may submit written comments to the undersigned prior to the public hearing at [enotification@bwc.state.oh.us](mailto:enotification@bwc.state.oh.us).

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