

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
State/Territory: OREGON

METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES

General:

The division pays the lesser of the usual and customary charge or a fee based on the methods outlined for the program according to Attachment 4.19-B. The provider's usual and customary fee is the fee charged by the provider to the general public for the particular service rendered.

Where applicable, the maximum allowable fees are established using the CMS Resource Based Relative Value (RBRVS) Scale methodology as published in the Federal Register annually, times an Oregon specific conversion factor. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, the agency's rates were set as of 1/1/13 and are effective for dates of services on or after that date. The reimbursement methods listed in this section of the plan are available on the agency's website http://www.oregon.gov/OHA/healthplan/data_pubs/feeschedule/main.shtml

State developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers.

Provider type/ Service type	Payment method
3. Laboratory and Radiology services	Clinical Laboratory and Pathology Procedures are paid at 70% of current Medicare fee updated annually as published by Medicare. Other lab and X-ray services are paid on a state-wide fee schedule which utilizes the RBRVS Scale, times the Oregon specific conversion factor.
5.a. Physician services, Physician Assistant 5.b. Medical and surgical services furnished by a dentist 6. a. Podiatrists' services 6. c. Chiropractors' services	Payment for services is a state-wide fee schedule which utilizes the RBRVS Scale, times the Oregon specific conversion factor. Fees for drugs administered in the provider's office is based on Medicare's Average Sale Price (ASP). When no ASP rate is listed the rate shall be based upon the Wholesale Acquisition Price (WAC) plus 6.25%. If no WAC is available, then the rate shall be reimbursed at Acquisition Cost. Anesthetists payment for services is a state-wide fee schedule which utilizes the current American Society of Anesthesiology Relative Value base units plus time.
6. b. Optometrist services Ophthalmologist, optometrists.	Exam and dispensing: Payment for services is a state-wide fee schedule which utilizes the RBRVS Scale, times the Oregon specific conversion factor.
6. d. Other Practitioner Services; Naturopath, Acupuncturist, Certified Nurse Practitioner and Licensed Direct Entry Midwives	Payment for services is a state-wide fee schedule which utilizes the RBRVS Scale, times the Oregon specific conversion factor.

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Physician Services 42 CFR 447.405, 447.410, 447.415 Amount of Minimum Payment

The state reimburses for services provided by physicians meeting the requirements of 42 CFR 447.400(a) at the Medicare Part B fee schedule rate using the Medicare physician fee schedule rate in effect in calendar years 2013 and 2014 or, if greater, the payment rates that would be applicable in those years using the calendar year 2009 Medicare physician fee schedule conversion factor. If there is no applicable rate established by Medicare, the state uses the rate specified in a fee schedule established and announced by CMS.

- The rates reflect all Medicare site of service and locality adjustments.
- The rates do not reflect site of service adjustments, but reimburse at the Medicare rate applicable to the office setting.
- The rates reflect all Medicare geographic/locality adjustments.
- The rates are statewide and reflect the mean value over all counties for each of the specified evaluation and management and vaccine billing codes.

The following formula was used to determine the mean rate over all counties for each code:

For each GPCI (Work, PE, and MP) the following formula was used:

$$(3*(Portland\ GPCI) + 33*(Rest\ of\ State\ GPCI))/36 = GPCI.$$

Then each GPCI was multiplied by the Nonfacility RVU's for that component, and the components (Work, PE, and MP) were summed. The sum of the components was then multiplied by the 2009 Medicare conversion factor, 36.0666.

Method of Payment

The state has adjusted its fee schedule to make payment at the higher rate for each E&M and vaccine administration code.(2013 Total RVU weights published in the Federal Register, Vol. 77, November 16, 2012. The state will not be updating the Medicare rates throughout the year)

The state reimburses a supplemental amount equal to the difference between the Medicaid rate in effect on July 1, 2009 and the minimum payment required at 42 CFR 447.405.

Supplemental payment is made: monthly quarterly semi-annually annually

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Primary Care Services Affected by this Payment Methodology

This payment applies to all Evaluation and Management (E&M) billing codes 99201 through 99499.

The State did not make payment as of July 1, 2009 for the following codes and will not make payment for those codes under this SPA (specify codes). 99358, 99359, 99366, 99367, 99368, 99450

The state will make payment under this SPA for the following codes which have been added to the fee schedule since July 1, 2009 (specify code and date added).

Effective 1/1/2011-99224, 99255, 99226

Effective 1/1/13- 99485-99496

Physician Services – Vaccine Administration

For calendar years (CYs) 2013 and 2014, the state reimburses vaccine administration services furnished by physicians meeting the requirements of 42 CFR 447.400(a) at the lesser of the state regional maximum administration fee set by the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program or the Medicare rate in effect in CYs 2013 and 2014 or, if higher, the rate using the CY 2009 conversion factor.

Medicare Physician Fee Schedule rate

State regional maximum administration fee set by the Vaccines for Children program

Rate using the CY 2009 conversion factor

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Documentation of Vaccine Administration Rates in Effect 7/1/09

The state uses one of the following methodologies to impute the payment rate in effect at 7/1/09 for code 90460, which was introduced in 2011 as a successor billing code for billing codes 90465 and 90471.

The imputed rate in effect at 7/1/09 for code 90460 equals the rate in effect at 7/1/09 for billing codes 90465 and 90471 times their respective claims volume for a 12 month period which encompasses July 1, 2009. Using this methodology, the imputed rate in effect for code 90460 at 7/1/09 is:

A single rate was in effect on 7/1/09 for all vaccine administration services, regardless of billing code. This 2009 rate is:

Alternative methodology to calculate the vaccine administration rate in effect 7/1/09:

For children age 0 through 18:

When the sole purpose of the visit is to administer a VFC vaccine, the provider is required to bill the appropriate vaccine specific product code (90476-90748) with modifier –SL or 26 for each injection. The SL or 26 modifier indicates that it is a VFC administration of the specified vaccine. The rate of reimbursement for the administration of the vaccine was the regional maximum fee for the VFC program of \$15.19;

Adult vaccines age 19 and above:

Administration codes 90465-90474 paid based on 2008 Transitional non-facility RVU's multiplied by the Oregon conversion factor of \$27.82:

90465=\$15.58

90466= \$7.79

90467= \$9.74

90468= \$7.51

90471= \$8.07

90472=\$10.02

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