

State Plan under Title XIX of the Social Security Act
Medical Assistance Program
State: North Carolina

Payments for Medical and Remedial Care and Services

Payment for Physician Services:

SFY 2004 – No adjustment. Physician Fees

SFY 2005 and 2006 – No rate increase from the June 30, 2005 rate for all Medicaid private and public providers with the following exceptions: federally qualified health clinics, rural health centers, state institutions, outpatient hospital, pharmacy and the non-inflationary components of the case-mix reimbursement system for nursing facilities.

North Carolina General Assembly legislation mandates that effective July 1, 2005, reimbursement rates for Physician Fees for the state fiscal years 2005-2006 and 2006-2007 will remain at the rate in effect as of June 30, 2005 except Medicaid rates may be adjusted downward in accordance with the current year's downward adjustments to the Medicare fee schedule.

SFY 2007 - Effective January 1, 2007 an inflationary increase of 5.171% was applied.

SFY 2010 –The rates for SFY 2010 are frozen as of the rates in effect at July 1, 2009, except Medicaid rates may be adjusted downward in accordance with the current years downward adjustments to the Medicare fee schedule. Effective October 1, 2009, an overall negative rate adjustment of 4.90% was applied. There will be no further annual rate adjustment for SFY 2010.

SFY 2011 – The rates for SFY 2011 will be frozen at the rates in effect on June 30, 2010.

SFY 2012 - The rates for SFY2012 are frozen as of the rates in effect at July 1, 2011. Thereafter, the rates shall be reviewed annually, not later than March 1st of each succeeding calendar year.

Reference: Attachment 4.19-B, Section 5

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