

Nursing facility and sleep center reimbursement

Summary of update: This is an addendum to the *Nursing Facility Provider Manual*. The purpose of this communication is to provide guidance on eligibility for reimbursement of services, where to locate cost at *Title 1* of the *Texas Administrative Code* and how the sleep center global payment, for professional services, will be reimbursed.

Nursing facility providers — Texas nursing facility daily rate

The applicable Medicaid nursing facility unit rate services (program-specific) rate schedule explains in detail how the daily resource utilization group (RUG) payment rates are calculated. These rules are defined in the *Cost-Finding Methodology* located at *Title 1* of the *Texas Administrative Code, Part 15, Chapter 355, Subchapter C, Rules 306, 307, 308 and 403* less any member/resident applied income. The cost determination process rules applicable to the Texas Medicaid Nursing Facility program are located at *Title 1* of the *Texas Administrative Code, Part 15, Chapter 355, Subchapter A, Rules 101-110*.

Eligible charges are charges billed by the provider subject to conditions and requirements, which make the service eligible for reimbursement. Eligibility for reimbursement of the service is dependent upon application of the following conditions and requirements: Covered Person Program eligibility, Provider Program eligibility, benefit coverage, authorization requirements, provider manual guidelines, Amerigroup administrative, clinical and reimbursement policies, and code editing logic. Amerigroup will not reimburse providers for items the provider receives free of charge or items the provider provides to the covered person free of charge.

Sleep center providers — professional services

If the sleep center provider employs the physician interpreting the radiology procedure, the sleep center global payment will be reimbursed to the sleep center provider, and will include both the technical and professional component.

What if I need assistance?

If you have questions about this update, contact your local Provider Relations representative or call Provider Services at 1-800-454-3730.

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