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SUBJECT: Medical Billing Rates for Other Than Foreign Military Personnel Utilizing Department of Defense Deployed/Non-Fixed Medical Facilities

This memorandum establishes medical billing rates for contractors deploying with the U.S. Armed Forces, Department of Defense (DoD) civilians (both U.S. citizens and non-U.S. citizens, both essential and nonessential, both paid by appropriated funds and non-appropriated funds), media embedded in U.S. Armed Forces' units, insurers of Military Health System beneficiaries, civilian emergencies, and others who receive medical care from a deployed/non-fixed medical facility. These rates do not apply to foreign military patients receiving services under Acquisition and Cross-Servicing Agreements. This memorandum does not establish eligibility for care and does not apply to Military Treatment Facilities funded by the Defense Health Program.

The following reimbursement rates (fixed and variable costs) should be used by the deployed/non-fixed medical facilities to calculate charges:

- Inpatient daily rate: $2,702.00. Date of discharge is not billed unless patient is admitted and discharged on the same day.

- Outpatient visit rate: $ 239.00. A visit is an encounter with a provider with clinical privileges to include diagnostic imaging, laboratory/pathology, and pharmacy provided at the medical facility. It does not include costs of services/supplies ordered by the provider, but those furnished by an entity other than the deployed medical facility (e.g., a pharmacy order purchased by the patient in the open economy).

These rates are to be used for medical services rendered from the date of this memorandum and are effective until updated. The following conditions must be satisfied to meet established Military Department directed billing, collections policies, and procedures for deployed/non-fixed medical facilities in support of the reimbursement process:

- Pursuant to DoD Instruction 3020.41, "Operational Contract Support (OCS)," December 20, 2011, to provide care for contractors deploying with the force, the contract must specify which medical services are available. Contracts that permit the provision of any services in addition to emergency medical care shall specify that the care be provided on a space-available, fully reimbursable basis.

    1. The patient must provide a letter of authorization from the contracting officer stating authorized health care and the entity responsible for payment of the bill.

    2. The letter of authorization must have been approved by the Joint Force Command Surgeon based upon the existing capabilities of the forward-deployed medical facilities.

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