Pennsylvania Ambulance Services Projected 2023 Medicare Approved Amounts includes 2% Sequestration Reduction

| Type of Service | 2023 Urban Approved Amount before Seq. Reduction (+7.8%) | 2023 PA Urban | 2022 PA Urban Locality 99 Seq. Amt. | 2023 PA Urban Difference (+6.1%) | 2023 PA Rural Locality 99 Seq. Amt. | 2022 PA Rural Locality 99 Seq. Amt. | 2023 Rural Difference (+5.1%) | 2023 Greater PHL Locality 01 Seq. Amt. | 2022 Greater PHL Locality 01 Seq. Amt. | 2023 Greater PHL Difference (+5.5%) | 2023 Super Rural Locality 99 Seq. Amt. | 2022 Super Rural Locality 99 Seq. Amt. | 2023 Super Rural Difference (-14.3%) |
|--------------------|---|------------------|--|---|--|--|--|---|---|--|---|---|--|
| BLS (A0428) | \$ 253.09 | \$ 249.04 | \$ 234.72 | \$ 14.32 | \$ 249.04 | \$ 237.02 | \$ 12.02 | \$ 273.73 | \$ 259.44 | \$ 14.29 | \$ 249.04 | \$ 290.60 | \$ (41.55) |
| BLS-E (A0429) | \$ 404.94 | \$ 398.46 | \$ 375.55 | \$ 22.91 | \$ 398.46 | \$ 379.24 | \$ 19.23 | \$ 437.97 | \$ 415.10 | \$ 22.87 | \$ 398.46 | \$ 464.95 | \$ (66.49) |
| ALS (A0426) | \$ 303.70 | \$ 298.84 | \$ 281.66 | \$ 17.18 | \$ 298.84 | \$ 284.43 | \$ 14.41 | \$ 328.48 | \$ 311.33 | \$ 17.15 | \$ 298.84 | \$ 348.71 | \$ (49.87) |
| ALS1-E (A0427) | \$ 480.86 | \$ 473.17 | \$ 445.97 | \$ 27.20 | \$ 473.17 | \$ 450.35 | \$ 22.82 | \$ 520.08 | \$ 492.93 | \$ 27.15 | \$ 473.17 | \$ 552.13 | \$ (78.96) |
| ALS-2 (A0433) | \$ 695.99 | \$ 684.85 | \$ 645.19 | \$ 39.66 | \$ 684.85 | \$ 651.82 | \$ 33.04 | \$ 752.75 | \$ 713.46 | \$ 39.29 | \$ 684.85 | \$ 799.12 | \$ (114.27) |
| SCT (A0434) | \$ 822.53 | \$ 809.37 | \$ 762.84 | \$ 46.53 | \$ 809.37 | \$ 770.33 | \$ 39.04 | \$ 889.61 | \$ 843.18 | \$ 46.43 | \$ 809.37 | \$ 944.43 | \$ (135.06) |
| Mileage (1-17) | \$ 8.54 | \$ 8.40 | \$ 7.89 | \$ 0.51 | \$ 12.61 | \$ 11.94 | \$ 0.66 | \$ 8.40 | \$ 7.89 | \$ 0.51 | \$ 12.61 | \$ 11.94 | \$ 0.66 |
| Mileage (18 and >) | | \$ 8.40 | | | \$ 8.40 | | | \$ 8.40 | | | \$ 8.40 | | |

Effective 1/1/2023, Medicare approved amounts for PA EMS agencies are projected to increase between 5.1% - 6.1% except for Super Rural EMS agencies which will decrease by -14.3%

Projections are based on the following key issues:

- 1) Expiration of Temporary Base Rate Fee Increases on 12/31/2022 (Reductions are 2% urban, 3% rural and 22.6% for Super Rural)
 - 2) Sequestration Reduction Amounts (-1.6%) were fully restored for dates of service on or after 8/1/2022
 - 3) Decreased GPCI rates for both localities in PA (01 PHL & 99 Rest of PA) Effective 1/1/2023 (see below)
 - 4) Ambulance Inflation Factor for CY 2023 of 8.7% Effective 1/1/2023

2023 PA GPCI = Locality 99 = ALL OF PA (except PHL area) = Decreased .6% to 0.933 as compared to 0.939 in 2022 2023 PA GPCI = Locality 01 = Greater PHL Area = Decreased 1.4% to 1.068 as compared to 1.083 in 2022

Repetitive, non-emergency BLS Dialysis transports in PA must be pre-authorized by Novitas. Approved amounts for BLS NET dialysis transports are reimbursed at 23% less than published BLS rate.

*Certain projections may be slightly skewed due to rounding rules Actual approved amounts are subject to change.

Please note that these projections should only be used for planning purposes.

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