

planned meeting. Written statements should be submitted to the Panel's Designated Federal Officer (DFO). The DFO's contact information can be obtained from the General Services Administration's Federal Advisory Committee Act Database at <http://facasms.fido.gov/>.

Written statements that do not pertain to the scheduled meeting of the Panel may be submitted at any time. However, if individual comments pertain to a specific topic being discussed at a planned meeting, then these statements must be submitted no later than 5 business days prior to the meeting in question. The DFO will review all submitted written statements and provide copies to all the committee members.

Public Comments: In addition to written statements, the Panel will set aside 1 hour for individuals or interested groups to address the Panel. To ensure consideration of their comments, individuals and interested groups should submit written statements as outlined in this notice; but if they still want to address the Panel, then they will be afforded the opportunity to register to address the Panel. The Panel's DFO will have a "Sign-Up Roster" available at the Panel meeting for registration on a first-come, first-serve basis. Those wishing to address the Panel will be given no more than 5 minutes to present their comments, and at the end of the 1 hour time period, no further public comments will be accepted. Anyone who signs-up to address the Panel, but is unable to do so due to the time limitation, may submit their comments in writing; however, they must understand that their written comments may not be reviewed prior to the Panel's deliberation.

To ensure timeliness of comments for the official record, the Panel encourages that individuals and interested groups consider submitting written statements instead of addressing the Panel.

Dated: December 5, 2013.

Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

TRICARE, Formerly Known as the Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS); Fiscal Year 2014 Mental Health Rate Updates

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of Updated Mental Health Rates for FY 2014.

SUMMARY: This notice provides the updated regional per-diem rates for low-volume mental health providers; the update factor for hospital-specific per-diems; the updated cap per-diem for high-volume providers; the beneficiary per-diem cost-share amount for low-volume providers; and, the updated per-diem rates for both full-day and half-day TRICARE Partial Hospitalization Programs for FY 2014.

DATES: Effective Date: The FY 2014 rates contained in this notice are effective for services on or after October 1, 2013.

ADDRESSES: TRICARE Management Activity (TMA), Medical Benefits and Reimbursement Branch, 16401 East Centretech Parkway, Aurora, CO 80011-9066.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elan Green, Medical Benefits and Reimbursement Branch, TMA, telephone (303) 676-3907.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The final rule published in the **Federal Register** (FR) on September 6, 1988 (53 FR 34285) set forth reimbursement changes that were effective for all inpatient hospital admissions in psychiatric hospitals and exempt psychiatric units occurring on or after January 1, 1989. The final rule published in the **Federal Register** on July 1, 1993 (58 FR 35400) set forth maximum per-diem rates for all partial hospitalization admissions on or after September 29, 1993. Included in these final rules were provisions for updating reimbursement rates for each federal FY. As stated in the final rules, each per-diem shall be updated by the Medicare update factor for hospitals and units exempt from the Medicare Prospective Payment System (i.e., this is the same update factor used for the inpatient prospective payment system). For FY 2014, the market basket rate is 2.5 percent. This year, Medicare applied two reductions to its market basket amount: (1) A 0.5 percent reduction for economy-wide productivity required by section 3401(a) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) which amended section 1886(b)(3)(B) of the Social Security Act, and (2) a 0.3

percent point adjustment as required by section 1886(b)(3)(B)(xii) of the Act as added and amended by sections 3401 and 10319(a) of the PPACA. These two reductions do not apply to TRICARE. Hospitals and units with hospital-specific rates (hospitals and units with high TRICARE volume) and regional-specific rates for psychiatric hospitals and units with low TRICARE volume will have their TRICARE rates for FY 2014 updated by 2.5 percent.

Partial hospitalization rates for full-day programs also will be updated by 2.5 percent for FY 2014. Partial hospitalization rates for programs of less than 6 hours (with a minimum of three hours) will be paid a per diem rate of 75 percent of the rate for a full-day program.

The cap amount for high-volume hospitals and units also will be updated by the 2.5 percent for FY 2014.

The beneficiary cost share for low-volume hospitals and units also will be updated by the 2.5 percent for FY 2014.

Per 32 CFR 199.14, the same area wage indexes used for the CHAMPUS Diagnosis-Related Group (DRG)-based payment system shall be applied to the wage portion of the applicable regional per-diem for each day of the admission. The wage portion shall be the same as that used for the CHAMPUS DRG-based payment system. For wage index values greater than 1.0, the wage portion of the regional rate subject to the area wage adjustment is 69.6 percent for FY 2014. For wage index values less than or equal to 1.0, the wage portion of the regional rate subject to the area wage adjustment is 62.0 percent.

Additionally, 32 CFR 199.14 requires that hospital specific and regional per-diems shall be updated by the Medicare update factor for hospitals and units exempt from the Medicare prospective payment system.

The following reflect an update of 2.5 percent for FY 2014.

REGIONAL—SPECIFIC RATES FOR PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITALS AND UNITS WITH LOW TRICARE VOLUME FOR FY 2014

United States census region	Regional rate
Northeast:	
New England	\$827
Mid-Atlantic	797
Midwest:	
East North Central	689
West North Central	650
South:	
South Atlantic	820
East South Central	877
West South Central	747
West:	

REGIONAL—SPECIFIC RATES FOR PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITALS AND UNITS WITH LOW TRICARE VOLUME FOR FY 2014—Continued

United States census region	Regional rate
Mountain	746
Pacific	882
Puerto Rico	563

Beneficiary cost-share: Beneficiary cost-share (other than dependents of Active Duty members) for care paid on the basis of a regional per-diem rate is the lower of \$218 per day or 25 percent of the hospital billed charges effective for services rendered on or after October 1, 2013. Cap Amount: Updated cap amount for hospitals and units with high TRICARE volume is \$1,040 per day for services on or after October 1, 2013.

The following reflects an update of 2.5 percent for FY 2014 for the full day partial hospitalization rates. Partial hospitalization rates for programs of less than 6 hours (with a minimum of three hours) will be paid a per diem rate of 75 percent of the rate for a full-day program.

PARTIAL HOSPITALIZATION RATES FOR FULL-DAY AND HALF-DAY PROGRAMS
[FY 2014]

United States census region	Full-day rate (6 hours or more)	Half-day rate (3–5 hours)
Northeast:		
New England (Maine, N.H., Vt., Mass., R.I., Conn.)	\$331	\$248
Mid-Atlantic: (N.Y., N.J., Penn.)	361	271
Midwest:		
East North Central (Ohio, Ind., Ill., Mich., Wis.)	318	239
West North Central: (Minn., Iowa, Mo., N.D., S.D., Neb., Kan.)	318	239
South:		
South Atlantic (Del., Md., DC, Va., W.Va., N.C., S.C., Ga., Fla.)	339	254
East South Central: (Ky., Tenn., Ala., Miss.)	368	276
West South Central: (Ark., La., Texas, Okla.)	368	276
West:		
Mountain (Mont., Idaho, Wyo., Col., N.M., Ariz., Utah, Nev.)	371	278
Pacific (Wash., Ore., Calif., Alaska, Hawaii)	365	274
Puerto Rico	237	178

The above rates are effective for services rendered on or after October 1, 2013.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

[Docket ID: USAF–2013–0038]

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Department of the Air Force, DoD.

ACTION: Notice to alter a System of Records.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Air Force proposes to alter a system of records notice, F024 AF IL C, entitled “Motor Vehicle Operators’ Records”, in its existing inventory of records systems subject to the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended. This system will be used to

create and maintain records of motor vehicle operators and licenses. In addition, records are created and maintained on Air Force personnel required to drive government owned or leased vehicles that exceed 10,000 pounds gross vehicle weight and are used for emergency response and/or are equipped with four-wheel-drive. The data is used to create a printed vehicle operator identification card.

DATES: This proposed action will be effective on January 10, 2014 unless comments are received which result in a contrary determination. Comments will be accepted on or before January 9, 2014.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail:* Federal Docket Management System Office, 4800 Mark Center Drive East Tower, 2nd Floor, Suite 02G09, Alexandria, VA 22350–3100.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for

comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Charles J. Shedrick, Department of the Air Force, Air Force Privacy Office, Office of Warfighting Integration and Chief Information Officer, ATTN: SAF/CIO A6, 1800 Air Force Pentagon, Washington, DC 20330–1800, or by phone at (571) 256–2515.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of the Air Force’s notices for systems of records subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a(r)), as amended, have been published in the **Federal Register** and are available from the address in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** or from the Defense Privacy and Civil Liberties Office Web site at <http://dpclo.defense.gov/privacy/SORNs/component/airforce/index.html>.

The proposed systems reports, as required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(r) of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, were submitted on September 23, 2013 to the