

# Medicare B Update!

A Newsletter for Florida Medicare Part B Providers

## 2002 Allowances for Ambulance Services

On November 14, 2001, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) issued Program Memorandum AB-01-165 outlining implementation of an Ambulance Fee Schedule, effective for dates of service on or after April 1, 2002. This instruction may be found on the CMS Website at <http://www.hcfa.gov/pubforms/transmit/AB01165.pdf>. Allowances and billing instructions for services covered under the Ambulance Fee Schedule will be provided in a future issue of the *Medicare B Update!*

In the interim, however, CMS has instructed carriers to update reasonable charge fees for the existing ambulance service procedure codes. Therefore, the 2002 prevailing allowances are provided below:

Code	Loc 01	Loc 02	Loc 03	Loc 04
A0380	4.45	5.10	6.61	7.42
A0390	4.45	5.10	6.61	7.42
A0426	280.48	322.65	323.75	328.46
A0427	280.48	322.65	323.75	328.46
A0428	131.30	184.12	184.28	170.33
A0429	139.07	185.01	192.35	171.73
A0430	1695.30	1695.30	1695.30	1695.30
A0431	1695.30	1695.30	1695.30	1695.30
A0434	280.48	322.65	323.75	313.42
A0435	31.79	31.79	31.79	31.79
A0436	31.79	31.79	31.79	31.79

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