

The following changes were made to the 2024 Medical Fee Schedule (MFS), resulting in the 2026 MFS.

General Updates

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fees for all codes that were included on the 2024 MFS and remain on the 2026 MFS were increased by approximately 3.4% for two years of medical inflation.

Addition of New 2024 and 2025 Codes Crosswalked (code mapping of equivalent or near equivalent codes) from a Code Currently on the MFS – DRG/CPT/HCPCS codes that were new in 2024 or 2025 were added to the 2026 MFS if the following conditions were met: (1) the new 2024 or 2025 code represents one that the American Medical Association crosswalked from a previously active code and the previously active code was terminated, and (2) the previously active code being crosswalked to a new 2024 or 2025 code appeared on the 2024 MFS.

Removal of CPT/HCPCS Codes Retired as of January 1, 2025 – The 2026 MFS was developed to include only those codes which are valid as of January 1, 2025. Therefore, any CPT/HCPCS codes retired prior to January 1, 2025 were removed from the 2026 MFS.

Adjustments to the Maximum Fee to Reflect a Revised Definition in 2024 or 2025 – CPT codes, per the American Medical Association, and DRG codes, per the US Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, that were identified as having a revised definition in 2024 or 2025 had their maximum fee adjusted to reflect the new definition.

Changing a CPT Code to Percent of Billed Charge Reimbursement – CPT code 90658, per the US Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, is now identified as an injectable drug and will appear on the 2026 MFS with a maximum fee presented as a percent of billed charge reimbursement. Updates have been made to remove this code from Tables W and X where it previously appeared with a maximum fee stated as a specified dollar amount on the 2024 MFS.

Table A – Type One Teaching Hospitals – Acute Inpatient Hospital Stays

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Update to DRG Version 42 – Codes included in the 2026 MFS represent only those code that are present in DRG Version 42

Addition of New 2024 and 2025 Codes Crosswalked from a Code Currently on the MFS – Codes were added with a maximum fee as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 27 new 2024 or 2025 codes falling into this category were added to this table

Removal of Codes Retired as of January 1, 2025 – Maximum fees for DRG codes retired prior to January 1, 2025 were removed from the 2026 MFS, as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 21 codes falling into this category were removed from this table

Adjustment of the Maximum Fee to Reflect a Revised Definition in 2024 or 2025 – The maximum fee for codes with a revised definition were updated as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 9 codes falling into this category had their maximum fee adjusted on this table

Table B – Other than Type One Teaching Hospitals – Acute Inpatient Hospital Stays

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Update to DRG Version 42 – Codes included in the 2026 MFS represent only those code which are represented in DRG Version 42

Addition of New 2024 and 2025 Codes Crosswalked from a Code Currently on the MFS – Codes were added with a maximum fee as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 27 new 2024 or 2025 codes falling into this category were added to this table

Removal of Codes Retired as of January 1, 2025 – Maximum fees for DRG codes retired prior to January 1, 2025 were removed from the 2026 MFS, as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 21 codes falling into this category were removed from this table

Adjustment of the Maximum Fee to Reflect a Revised Definition in 2024 or 2025 – The maximum fee for codes with a revised definition were updated as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 9 codes falling into this category had their maximum fee adjusted on this table

Table C – Rehabilitation Stays Billed Using DRG Codes

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Table D - Rehabilitation Stays Billed Using CMG Codes

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

<u>Table E – Outpatient Facility – Services with a Maximum Fee Based on a Percentage of Billed Charges</u>

Addition of New Injectable Drug Codes Effective in 2024 or 2025 — In addition to any new HCPCS codes that begin with the letter "J" 72 new codes effective in either 2024 or 2025 were added to the list of injectable drug codes with a maximum fee stated as a percentage of billed charges

<u>Table F - Type One Teaching Hospitals - Outpatient Facility Services with a Maximum Fee</u> Based on a CPT Code

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Addition of New 2024 and 2025 Codes Crosswalked from a Code Currently on the MFS – Codes were added with a maximum fee as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 7 new 2024 or 2025 codes falling into this category were added to this table

Removal of Codes Retired as of January 1, 2025 – Maximum fees for CPT/HCPCS codes retired prior to January 1, 2025 were removed from the 2026 MFS, as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 16 codes falling into this category were removed from this table

Adjustment of the Maximum Fee to Reflect a Revised Definition in 2024 or 2025 – The maximum fee for codes with a revised definition were updated as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 45 codes falling into this category had their maximum fee adjusted on this table

<u>Table G – Type One Teaching Hospitals – Outpatient Facility Services with a Maximum Fee</u> Based on a HCPCS Code

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Removal of Codes Retired as of January 1, 2025 – Maximum fees for CPT/HCPCS codes retired prior to January 1, 2025 were removed from the 2026 MFS, as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 10 codes falling into this category were removed from this table

<u>Table H – Other than Type One Teaching Hospitals – Outpatient Facility Services with a</u> Maximum Fee Based on a CPT Code

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Addition of New 2024 and 2025 Codes Crosswalked from a Code Currently on the MFS – Codes were added with a maximum fee as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 7 new 2024 or 2025 codes falling into this category were added to this table

Removal of Codes Retired as of January 1, 2025 – Maximum fees for CPT/HCPCS codes retired prior to January 1, 2025 were removed from the 2026 MFS, as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 16 codes falling into this category were removed from this table

Adjustment of the Maximum Fee to Reflect a Revised Definition in 2024 or 2025 – The maximum fee for codes with a revised definition were updated as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 45 codes falling into this category had their maximum fee adjusted on this table

<u>Table I – Other than Type One Teaching Hospitals – Outpatient Facility Services with a</u> Maximum Fee Based on a HCPCS Code

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Removal of Codes Retired as of January 1, 2025 – Maximum fees for CPT/HCPCS codes retired prior to January 1, 2025 were removed from the 2026 MFS, as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 10 codes falling into this category were removed from this table

<u>Table K – Ambulatory Surgical Centers – Services with a Maximum Fee Based on a Per Surgery or Per Unit Basis</u>

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Addition of New 2024 and 2025 Codes Crosswalked from a Code Currently on the MFS – Codes were added with a maximum fee as noted in the General Updates section

A total of 1 new 2024 or 2025 codes falling into this category were added to this table

Removal of CPT/HCPCS Codes Retired as of January 1, 2025 – Maximum fees for CPT/HCPCS codes retired prior to January 1, 2025 were removed from the 2026 MFS, as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 2 codes falling into this category were removed from this table

Adjustment of the Maximum Fee to Reflect a Revised Definition in 2024 or 2025 – The maximum fee for codes with a revised definition were updated as noted in the General Updates section

A total of 11 codes falling into this category had their maximum fee adjusted on this table

<u>Table L – Ambulatory Surgical Centers – Stand Alone Fluoroscopy Procedures</u>

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

<u>Table M - Professional Services and Other Providers of Medical Services - Services with a Maximum Fee Based on a Percentage of Billed Charges</u>

Addition of New Injectable Drug Codes Effective in 2024 or 2025 — In addition to any new HCPCS codes that begin with the letter "J" 72 new codes effective in either 2024 or 2025 were added to the list of injectable drug codes with a maximum fee stated as a percentage of billed charges

Table N - Anesthesia Conversion Factors, Base Units, and Physical Status Units

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee conversion factors were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Table O – Anesthesia Qualifying Circumstances

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Table P - Professional Services Billed by a Surgeon - Surgical Procedures

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Addition of New 2024 and 2025 Codes Crosswalked from a Code Currently on the MFS – Codes were added with a maximum fee as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 7 new 2024 or 2025 codes falling into this category were added to this table

Removal of CPT/HCPCS Codes Retired as of January 1, 2025 – Maximum fees for CPT/HCPCS codes retired prior to January 1, 2025 were removed from the 2026 MFS, as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 13 codes falling into this category were removed from this table

Adjustment of the Maximum Fee to Reflect a Revised Definition in 2024 or 2025 – The maximum fee for codes with a revised definition were updated as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 14 codes falling into this category had their maximum fee adjusted on this table

<u>Table Q - Professional Services Billed by a Non-Surgeon - Surgical Procedures</u>

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Addition of New 2024 and 2025 Codes Crosswalked from a Code Currently on the MFS – Codes were added with a maximum fee as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 7 new 2024 or 2025 codes falling into this category were added to this table

Removal of CPT/HCPCS Codes Retired as of January 1, 2025 – Maximum fees for CPT/HCPCS codes retired prior to January 1, 2025 were removed from the 2026 MFS, as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 13 codes falling into this category were removed from this table

Adjustment of the Maximum Fee to Reflect a Revised Definition in 2024 or 2025 – The maximum fee for codes with a revised definition were updated as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 14 codes falling into this category had their maximum fee adjusted on this table

Table R - Professional Services Billed by a Surgeon - Radiology Procedures

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Removal of CPT/HCPCS Codes Retired as of January 1, 2025 – Maximum fees for CPT/HCPCS codes retired prior to January 1, 2025 were removed from the 2026 MFS, as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 3 codes falling into this category were removed from this table

Table S – Professional Services Billed by a Non-Surgeon – Radiology Procedures

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Removal of CPT/HCPCS Codes Retired as of January 1, 2025 – Maximum fees for CPT/HCPCS codes retired prior to January 1, 2025 were removed from the 2026 MFS, as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 3 codes falling into this category were removed from this table

Table T – Professional Services – Lab/Pathology Procedures

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Addition of New 2024 and 2025 Codes Crosswalked from a Code Currently on the MFS – Codes were added with a maximum fee as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 6 new 2024 or 2025 codes falling into this category were added to this table

Removal of CPT/HCPCS Codes Retired as of January 1, 2025 – Maximum fees for CPT/HCPCS codes retired prior to January 1, 2025 were removed from the 2026 MFS, as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 5 codes falling into this category were removed from this table

Adjustment of the Maximum Fee to Reflect a Revised Definition in 2024 or 2025 – The maximum fee for codes with a revised definition were updated as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 9 codes falling into this category had their maximum fee adjusted on this table

Table U – Professional Services Billed by a Surgeon – Evaluation and Management Procedures

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Removal of CPT/HCPCS Codes Retired as of January 1, 2025 – Maximum fees for CPT/HCPCS codes retired prior to January 1, 2025 were removed from the 2026 MFS, as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 3 codes falling into this category was removed from this table

Adjustment of the Maximum Fee to Reflect a Revised Definition in 2024 or 2025 – The maximum fee for codes with a revised definition were updated as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 10 codes falling into this category had their maximum fee adjusted on this table

<u>Table V – Professional Services Billed by a Non-Surgeon – Evaluation and Management Procedures</u>

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Removal of CPT/HCPCS Codes Retired as of January 1, 2025 – Maximum fees for CPT/HCPCS codes retired prior to January 1, 2025 were removed from the 2026 MFS, as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 3 codes falling into this category was removed from this table

Adjustment of the Maximum Fee to Reflect a Revised Definition in 2024 or 2025 – The maximum fee for codes with a revised definition were updated as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 10 codes falling into this category had their maximum fee adjusted on this table

Table W - Professional Services Billed by a Surgeon - Other Services Billed with a CPT Code

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Addition of New 2024 and 2025 Codes Crosswalked from a Code Currently on the MFS – Codes were added with a maximum fee as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 18 new 2024 or 2025 codes falling into this category were added to this table

Removal of CPT/HCPCS Codes Retired as of January 1, 2025 – Maximum fees for CPT/HCPCS codes retired prior to January 1, 2025 were removed from the 2026 MFS, as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 7 codes falling into this category were removed from this table

Adjustment of the Maximum Fee to Reflect a Revised Definition in 2024 or 2025 – The maximum fee for codes with a revised definition were updated as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 23 codes falling into this category had their maximum fee adjusted on this table

Changing a CPT Code to Percent of Billed Charge Reimbursement – CPT code 90658 was removed from this table.

<u>Table X – Professional Services Billed by a Non-Surgeon – Other Services Billed with a CPT Code</u>

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Addition of New 2024 and 2025 Codes Crosswalked from a Code Currently on the MFS – Codes were added with a maximum fee as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 18 new 2024 or 2025 codes falling into this category were added to this table

Removal of CPT/HCPCS Codes Retired as of January 1, 2025 – Maximum fees for CPT/HCPCS codes retired prior to January 1, 2025 were removed from the 2026 MFS, as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 7 codes falling into this category were removed from this table

Adjustment of the Maximum Fee to Reflect a Revised Definition in 2024 or 2025 – The maximum fee for codes with a revised definition were updated as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 23 codes falling into this category had their maximum fee adjusted on this table

Changing a CPT Code to Percent of Billed Charge Reimbursement – CPT code 90658 was removed from this table.

Table Y - Professional Services - Other Professional Services Billed with a HCPCS Code

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Removal of CPT/HCPCS Codes Retired as of January 1, 2025 – Maximum fees for CPT/HCPCS codes retired prior to January 1, 2025 were removed from the 2026 MFS, as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 10 codes falling into this category were removed from this table

<u>Table Z – Other Providers of Medical Services – Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation</u> Procedures

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

<u>Table AA – Other Providers of Medical Services – Osteopathic and Chiropractic Manipulative</u> Treatment Procedures

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

<u>Table AB – Other Providers of Medical Services – Acupuncture Procedures</u>

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Adjustment of the Maximum Fee to Reflect a Revised Definition in 2024 or 2025 – The maximum fee for codes with a revised definition were updated as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 2 codes falling into this category had their maximum fee adjusted on this table

Table AC - Other Providers of Medical Services - Dental Procedures

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Table AD - Other Providers of Medical Services - Ground Ambulance

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

<u>Table AE – Other Providers of Medical Services – Private Payer Codes</u>

Update for Medical Inflation – The maximum fee for existing codes that remained on the 2026 MFS were updated as noted in the General Updates section

Removal of CPT/HCPCS Codes Retired as of January 1, 2025 – Maximum fees for CPT/HCPCS codes retired prior to January 1, 2025 were removed from the 2026 MFS, as noted in the General Updates section

• A total of 4 codes falling into this category were removed from this table