

VA-DoD Resource Sharing Pricing Update

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VA-DoD Sharing Governance - Joint Executive Committee

The Joint Executive Committee (JEC)

- Oversees development & implementation of VA-DoD Joint Strategic Plan (JSP)
- Oversees Health & Benefits Executive Councils
- Identifies opportunities to enhance mutually beneficial services and resources
- Submits the Annual Report to Secretaries and Congress including progress of the JSP
- Co-Chaired by
 - The Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness)
 - Deputy Secretary, Veterans Affairs
- Title 38 of United States Code, Section 8111(b)(1), requires the Secretaries of Veterans Affairs and Defense to "Develop and publish a joint strategic vision statement and a joint strategic plan to shape, focus, and prioritize the coordination and sharing efforts among appropriate elements of the two Departments ..." The Joint Executive Committee (JEC) publishes the Joint Strategic Plan (JSP) on behalf of the Secretaries to promulgate that vision



VA-DoD Sharing Governance - Health Executive Committee

The Health Executive Committee (HEC)

- The Health Executive Committee (HEC) works to institutionalize VA and DoD sharing and collaboration efforts to ensure the effective and efficient use of health services and resources
- Reports directly to the VA/DoD JEC
- Oversees working groups
- Identifies opportunities (policy, operations, and capital planning) to enhance mutually beneficial coordination
- Co-chaired by the
 - Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs)
 - VA Under Secretary for Health
- The VA/DoD HEC Coordination Office, in collaboration with the DoD/VA Program Coordination Office (DVPCO), coordinates HEC meetings and supports the flow of information to the VA/DoD Joint Executive Committee (JEC)



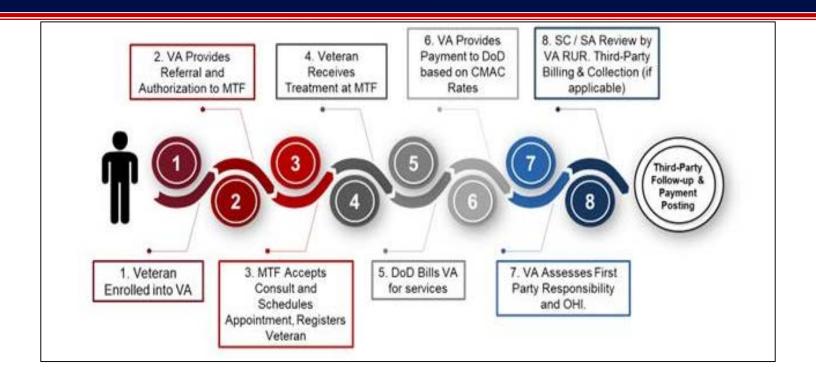
- In 1982, Congress passed the Veteran's Administration (VA) and Department of Defense (DoD) Health Resources Sharing and Emergency Operations Act.
- VA and DoD enter into mutually beneficial sharing agreements to barter medical and support services.
- The National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) of 2003 established a Health Executive Council and mandated standardized reimbursement rates for VA and DoD medical facilities with resource sharing agreements.
- In support of this mandate, VA-DoD resource sharing inpatient and outpatient calculators were developed for calculating institutional and non-institutional charges for VA patients receiving care at an MTF with a resource sharing agreement.
- Published annually on DHA Health.mil as Excel workbooks
 - https://info.health.mil/bus/brm/ubo/SitePages/MSA.aspx
 - Charges from the calculators are currently reflected in ABACUS

UBO Defense Health Agency Uniform Business Office

VA-DoD Resource Sharing Agreement Update

- In August 2018, The Health Executive Committee (HEC) approved billing VA at TRICARE Maximum Allowable Charge less 20%
 - Effective for FY19
 - Memorandum for Record (MFR) signed by the Principal Deputy Assistant
 Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs) and the Acting Principal Deputy Under
 Secretary for Health Veterans Health Administration
 - Charge calculations within ABACUS have been updated to reflect the revised discount factor (20%)
 - Separate VA DoD Calculators are also available
 - Inpatient Calculator
 - Outpatient Calculator
 - Pharmacy Calculator





- Patient Categories
 - K61-1 Veterans Affairs Beneficiary Standard Interagency
 - K61-2 DoD/VA Resource Sharing
 - V01 VA Choice Service Connected
- Special Calculators Are Available to Support Resource Sharing



- Inpatient, Outpatient, and Pharmacy Calculators are provided to assist billing staff with understanding or verifying VA-DoD Resource Sharing charges
- ABACUS has been configured to create charges based on August 2018 MFR
- Calculators may be used to create manual bills, but this should not be necessary



VA-DoD Resource Sharing - Inpatient Institutional Billing						
Modified TRICARE MS-DRG Payment Calculator - For Patients Discharged in FY19						
Claim Information	LOS	0				
	MS-DRG	0				
	Disposition Status	0				
Hospital-Specific Information	Facility ZIP Code (5 digits)					
Policy Information	VA-DoD Discount	20%				
Payment Summary	Inpatient Institutional Charge	-				

- Used for institutional and non-institutional charges
- For institutional charges, enter the length of stay, MS-DRG, disposition status and facility zip code to generate a charge



Inpatient Calculator First Tab

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VA-DoD Resource Sharing - Inpatient Billing Guide								
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Durable Medical Equipment		Cost	\$	_	0%	\$	-	
Ambulance Services		CMS Ambulance less Discount*	s	_	20%	\$	-	
Anesthesia Professional Services		TRICARE CMAC less Discount*	\$	_	20%	\$	-	
Purchased Care Services from Outside Facility		cost	s	_	0%	\$	-	
Pharmaceuticals		VA-DoD Resource Sharing PPE	s	_	0%	S	-	
Pass-through Items		cost	s	_	0%	S	-	
Other		cost	s	-	0%	S	_	
Total						\$	_	

- For non-institutional charges, find the appropriate TRICARE rate for each procedure, supply item, or service provided as noted in the encounter
- Use procedure pricing tools published on Health.mil to find the local rate

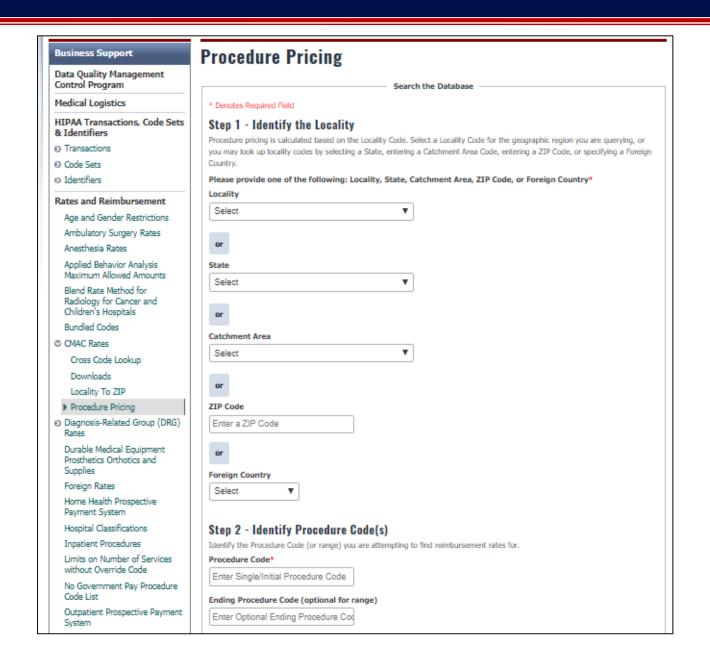


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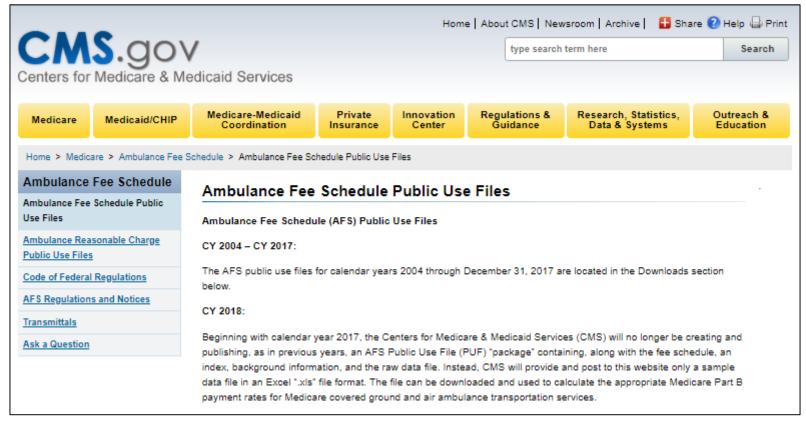


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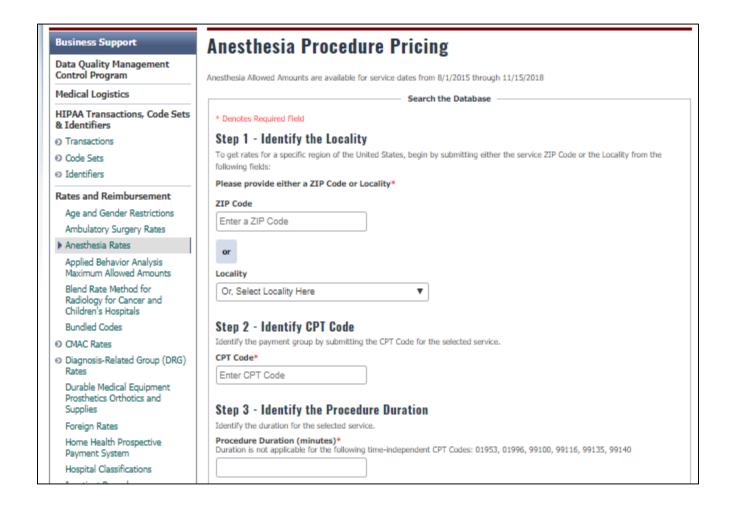


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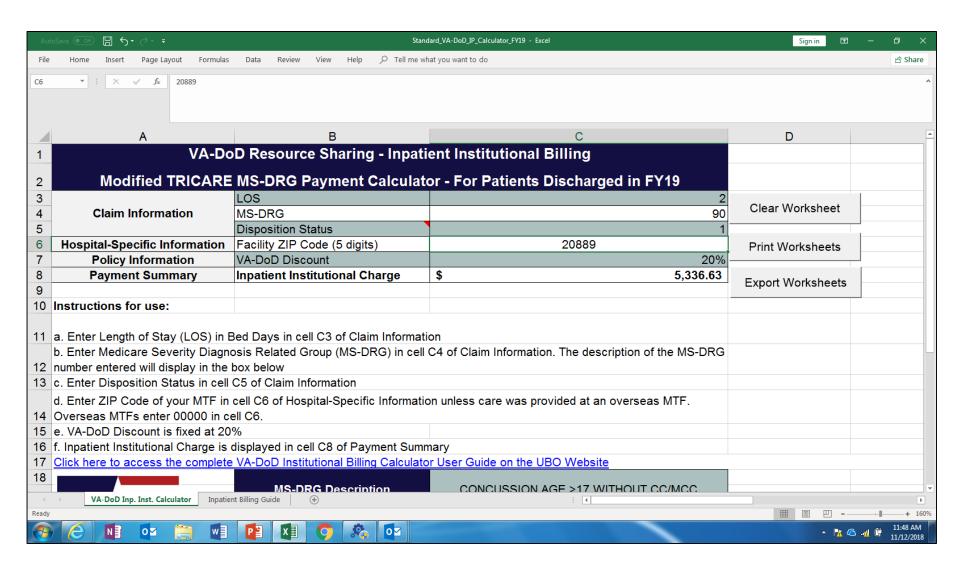
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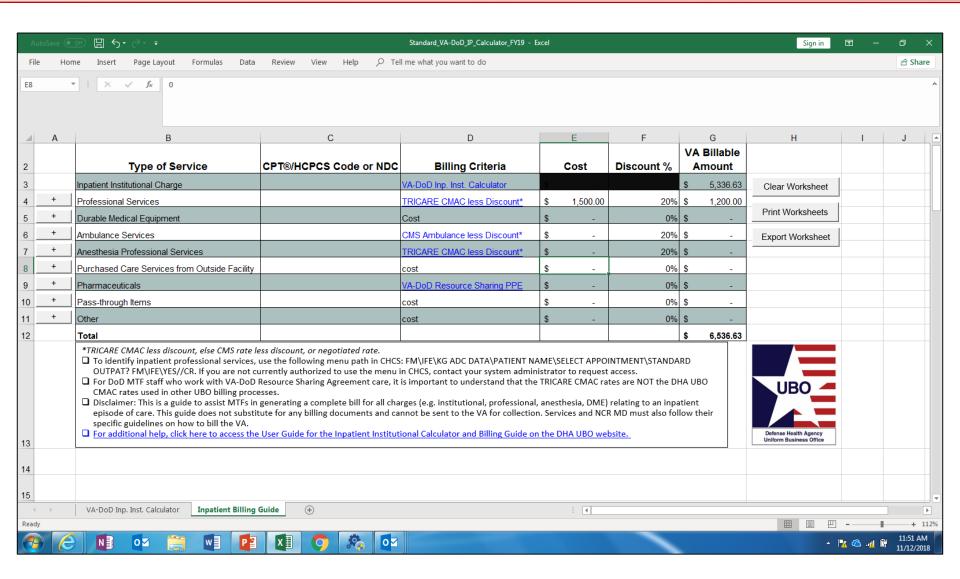


Sample Inpatient Calculation: MS-DRG 90 Concussion



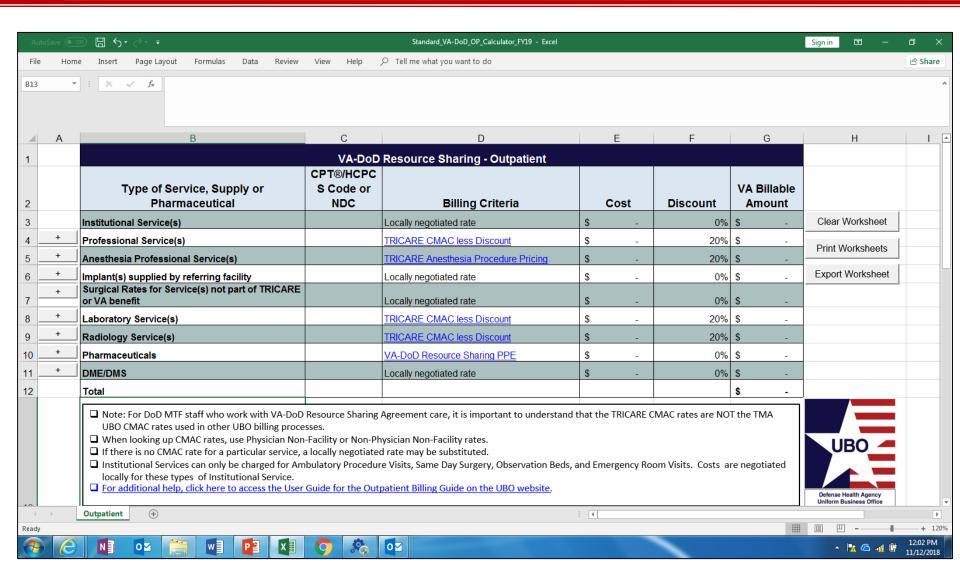


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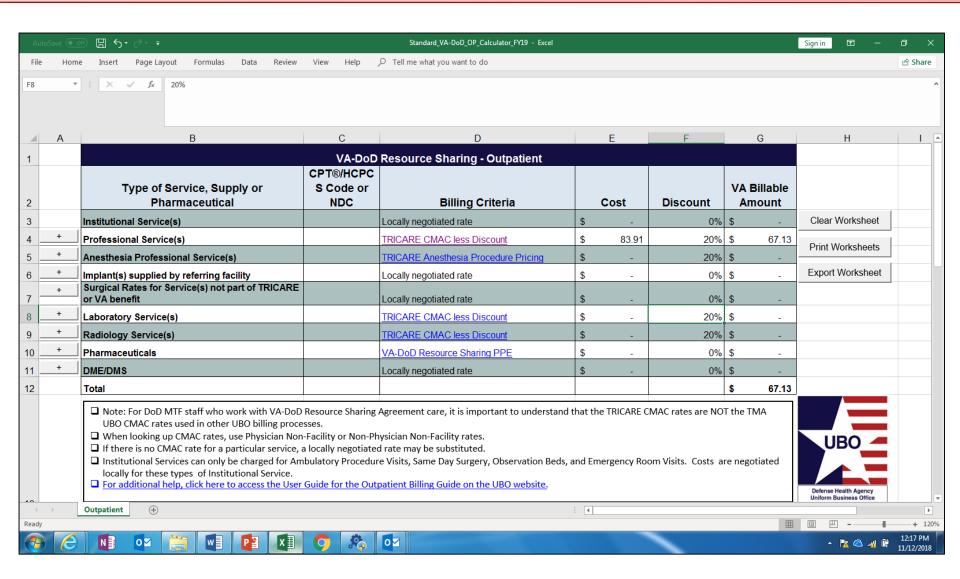


Outpatient Calculator



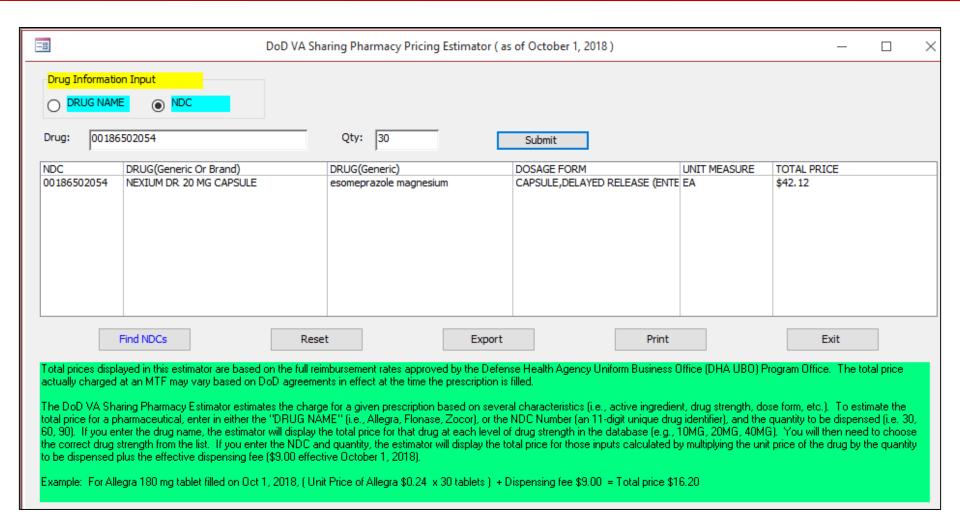


Sample Outpatient Calculation: CPT 99213 Office Visit Established Patient



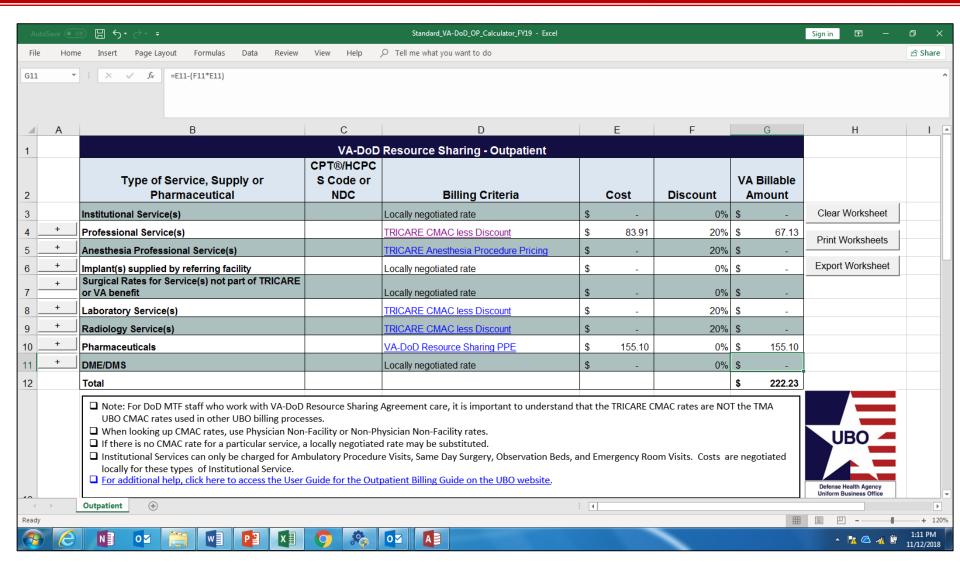


Sample Pharmacy Calculation Nexium 20 MG Capsules





Sample Office Visit Updated with Pharmacy Charge





- Locally Negotiated Spreadsheets
- Standard Industry Paper and Electronic Claims
 - Available in ABACUS and used to bill Third Party Plans
- SF 1080 and DD7/7A Invoices
 - Available in ABACUS and used to bill another Federal Agency
- Advanced Payment Amount (APA) or Prospective Payment Amount (PPA)
 - Future process under evaluation



- Inpatient/Outpatient Calculators
- https://info.health.mil/bus/brm/ubo/SitePages/MSA.aspx
- Pharmacy Pricing Estimator
- https://info.health.mil/bus/brm/ubo/SitePages/MHSUBORates.aspx
- Procedure Pricing
- https://health.mil/Military-Health-Topics/Business-Support/Rates-and-Reimbursement/CMAC-Rates/Procedure-Pricing
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