§ 414.60 Payment for the services of CRNAs.

(a) Basis for payment. The allowance for the anesthesia service furnished by a CRNA, medically directed or not medically directed, is based on allowable base and time units as defined in § 414.46(a). Beginning with CY 1994—

(1) The allowance for an anesthesia service furnished by a medically directed CRNA is based on a fixed percentage of the allowance recognized for the anesthesia service personally performed by the physician alone, as specified in § 414.46(d)(3); and

(2) The CF for an anesthesia service furnished by a CRNA not directed by a physician may not exceed the CF for a service personally performed by a physician.

(b) To whom payment may be made. Payment for an anesthesia service furnished by a CRNA may be made to the CRNA or to any individual or entity (such as a hospital, critical access hospital, physician, group practice, or ambulatory surgical center) with which the CRNA has an employment or contract relationship that provides for payment to be made to the individual or entity.

(c) Condition for payment. Payment for the services of a CRNA may be made only on an assignment related basis, and any assignment accepted by a CRNA is binding on any other person presenting a claim or request for payment for the service.

§ 414.61 Payment for anesthesia services furnished by a teaching CRNA.

(a) Basis for payment. Beginning January 1, 2010, anesthesia services furnished by a teaching CRNA may be paid under one of the following conditions:

(1) The teaching CRNA, who is not under the medical direction of a physician, is present with the student nurse anesthetist for the pre and post anesthesia services included in the anesthesia base unit time for the case with a student nurse anesthetist.

(2) The teaching CRNA, who is not under the medical direction of a physician, is involved with two concurrent anesthesia cases with student nurse anesthetists. The teaching CRNA must be present with the student nurse anesthetist for the pre and post anesthesia services included in the anesthesia base unit. For the anesthesia time of the two concurrent cases, the teaching CRNA can only be involved with those two concurrent cases and may not perform services for other patients.

(b) Level of payment. The allowance for the service of the teaching CRNA furnished under paragraph (a) of this section, is determined in the same way as for a physician who personally performs the anesthesia service alone as specified in § 414.46(c) of this subpart.

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§ 414.62 Fee schedule for clinical psychologist services.

The fee schedule for clinical psychologist services is set at 100 percent of the amount determined for corresponding services under the physician fee schedule.


§ 414.63 Payment for outpatient diabetes self-management training.

(a) Payment under the physician fee schedule. Except as provided in paragraph (d) of this section, payment for outpatient diabetes self-management training is made under the physician fee schedule in accordance with §§ 414.1 through 414.48.

(b) To whom payment may be made. Payment may be made to an entity approved by CMS to furnish outpatient diabetes self-management training in accordance with part 410, subpart H of this chapter.

(c) Limitation on payment. Payment may be made for training sessions actually attended by the beneficiary and documented on attendance sheets.

(d) Payments made to those not paid under the physician fee schedule. Payments may be made to other entities not routinely paid under the physician fee schedule, such as hospital outpatient departments, ESRD facilities, and DME suppliers. The payment
§ 414.64 Payment for medical nutrition therapy.

(a) Payment under the physician fee schedule. Medicare payment for medical nutrition therapy is made under the physician fee schedule in accordance with subpart B of this part. Payment to non-physician professionals, as specified in paragraph (b) of this section, is the lesser of the actual charges or 80 percent of 85 percent of the physician fee schedule amount.

(b) To whom payment may be made. Payment may be made to a registered dietician or nutrition professional qualified to furnish medical nutrition therapy in accordance with part 410, subpart G of this chapter.

(c) Effective date of payment. Medicare pays suppliers of medical nutrition therapy on or after the effective date of enrollment of the supplier at the carrier.

(d) Limitation on payment. Payment is made only for documented nutritional therapy sessions actually attended by the beneficiary.

(e) Other conditions for fee-for-service payment. Payment is made only if the beneficiary:

(1) Is not an inpatient of a hospital, SNF, nursing home, or hospice.

(2) Is not receiving services in an RHC, FQHC or ESRD dialysis facility.

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§ 414.65 Payment for telehealth services.

(a) Professional service. Medicare payment for the professional service via an interactive telecommunications system is made according to the following limitations:

(1) The Medicare payment amount for office or other outpatient visits, consultation, individual psychotherapy, psychiatric diagnostic interview examination, pharmacologic management, end-stage renal disease related services included in the monthly capitation payment (except for one visit per month to examine the access site), individual medical nutrition therapy, and individual health and behavior assessment and intervention services furnished via an interactive telecommunications system is equal to the current fee schedule amount applicable for the service of the physician or practitioner.

(ii) Follow-up inpatient telehealth consultations. The Medicare payment amount for follow-up inpatient telehealth consultations furnished via an interactive telecommunications system is equal to the current fee schedule amount applicable to initial hospital care provided by a physician or practitioner.

(2) Only the physician or practitioner at the distant site may bill and receive payment for the professional service via an interactive telecommunications system.

(3) Payments made to the physician or practitioner at the distant site, including deductible and coinsurance, for the professional service may not be shared with the referring practitioner or telepresenter.

(b) Originating site facility fee. For telehealth services furnished on or after October 1, 2001:

(1) For services furnished on or after October 1, 2001 through December 31, 2002, the payment amount to the originating site is the lesser of the actual charge or the originating site facility fee of $20. For services furnished on or after January 1 of each subsequent year, the facility fee for the originating site will be updated by the Medicare Economic Index (MEI) as defined in section 1842(1)(3) of the Act.