

Practice Alert

Calendar Year (CY) 2022 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule

Proposed Rule

August 2021

In July 2021, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) released a proposed rule that announced proposed policy and practice changes for Medicare Part B payments beginning January 1, 2022. The proposed changes may impact the work and reimbursement of social workers in various settings and that of other Medicare providers. The proposed rule is available for review at <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2021-07-23/pdf/2021-14973.pdf>

NASW will be providing comments to CMS on the proposed physician fee schedule and encourages social workers to submit individual comments especially in the areas of telehealth and quality payment. When commenting, please refer to file code CMS-1751-P. Comments are due no later than 5 p.m. on September 13, 2021, and may be submitted in one of the following ways:

1. Electronically. You may submit electronic comments on this regulation to <https://www.regulations.gov/>. Follow the “Submit a comment” instructions.
2. By regular mail. You may mail written comments to the following address: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, Attention: CMS-1751-P, P.O. Box 8016, Baltimore, MD 21244-8016. Please allow sufficient time for mailed comments to be received before the close of the comment period.
3. By express or overnight mail. You may send written comments to the following address: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services,

Attention: CMS–1751–P, Mail Stop C4–26–05, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244–1850.

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