

FEDERAL MEDICAID NOTICE
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID

Pursuant to 42 CFR 447.205, the director of the Ohio Department of Medicaid (department) gives notice of the department's intent to update reimbursement rates for Ambulatory Surgical Centers (ASCs).

Am. Sub. H.B. No. 96 of the 136th General Assembly sets forth Ohio's budget for state fiscal years 2026 and 2027. Under the direction of this budget, the department proposes establishing unique base rates for ASCs, removing the previous tie to outpatient hospital base rates. The proposed updates include increasing ASC Enhanced Ambulatory Patient Group (EAPG) relative weights and an updated flat rate payment amount for dental procedures. These changes are to improve access to care for Ohio's Medicaid population and increase reimbursement rates for ASCs around the state.

Implementation of this change in the methods and standards for setting payment rates is expected to increase annual aggregate expenditures for ASCs by approximately \$4 million.

Any person may examine and obtain a copy of the changes, without charge, at the following locations:

Ohio Department of Medicaid, 50 West Town Street, Fourth Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215;
Any county department of job and family services; or
On the internet at <http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us> by searching Ohio Administrative Code rule 5160-22-01.

Written comments regarding these changes may be sent to the Ohio Department of Medicaid, Attn.: Bureau of Health Plan Policy, 50 West Town Street, Fourth Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3414 and may be reviewed at the same location. Comments may also be provided by e-mail at the following address: Hospital_Policy@medicaid.ohio.gov. Comments must be received by **December 5, 2025**.

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