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Thursday, November 1, 2012 — CMS Issues 2 Payment Rules

On November 1, CMS issued two final regulations updating Medicare payment rates and policies in CY 2013 for services furnished by physicians and other practitioners, and hospital outpatient departments and ambulatory surgical centers.

The final CY 2013 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (MPFS) rule will be published on November 16, 2012. It will take effect January 1, 2013 with a comment period that closes on December 31, 2012.

- [Final Rule with comment period](#)
- [Fact Sheet](#)

The final CY 2013 Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS) and Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) rule will be published on November 15, 2012. It will take effect January 1, 2013 with a comment period that closes on December 31, 2012.

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