
28. Freestanding birth center services.

Traditional midwives (Certified Professional Midwives), Certified Midwives, and Certified Nurse Midwives are paid the lower of the:

- 1) submitted charge; or
- 2) 100% of the rate paid to a physician performing the same services, using the same methodology as item 5.a., Physician services.

Effective for services provided on or after January 1, 2011~~12~~26, payment for birth center facility services is the lower of:

- (1) the submitted charge;
- (2) ~~70~~ 100 percent of the statewide average for a facility fee cost payment rate made to a hospital for an uncomplicated vaginal birth as determined using the most recent calendar year for which complete claims data is available, trended to the payment year using the Inpatient Hospital Market Basket index; or
- (3) ~~15~~ 100 percent of the average facility fee cost payment rate made to a hospital for the services provided for an uncomplicated vaginal delivery as determined using the most recent calendar year for which complete claims data is available, trended to the payment year using the Inpatient Hospital Market Basket index when a recipient is transferred to a hospital prior to the delivery.

Effective for services provided on or after January 1, 2011~~12~~26, payment for newborn nursery care facility services provided by a birth center is the lower of:

- (1) the submitted charge; or
- (2) ~~70-100~~ percent of the statewide average ~~for a~~ of the hospital facility fee cost for a normal newborn as determined using the most recent year for which claims data is available trended to the payment year using the CMS Inpatient Hospital Market Basket Index. payment rate paid to a hospital for a newborn facility fee nursery care as determined using the most recent calendar year for which complete claims data is available.

The base rates as described in this item are adjusted by the following clauses of Supplement 2 of this Attachment:

W. Professional services rate decrease 2011

Home births

Effective for services provider on or after January 1, 2026, payment for home birth supplies is the lower of:

1. The submitted charge;
2. ~~70~~ percent of the statewide average for a facility payment rate made to the hospital for an uncomplicated vaginal delivery as determined using the most recent calendar year for which complete claims data are available.
3. ~~15~~ percent of the average facility payment made to a hospital for the services provided for an uncomplicated vaginal delivery as determined using the most recent calendar year for which complete claims data is

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available, when a recipient is transported to a hospital prior to the delivery.

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- 1) submitted charge; or
 - 2) 100% of the rate paid to a physician performing the same services, using the same methodology as item 5.a., Physician services.
- An eligible provider who does not perform the delivery must not bill for any delivery 252.26 services.