## Pennsylvania Ambulance Services Projected 2024 Medicare Approved Amounts including Sequestration Reduction Impact

Type of Service	2024 <u>Urban</u> Published Approved Amounts (before Seq. Reduction)	2024 <u>Urban</u> Locality 99 Minus Seq. Amt (-1.6%)	Previous 2023 <u>Urban</u> Locality 99 Seq. Amt	2024 Difference on Base Rates (+2.1%)	2024 <u>Rural</u> Published Approved Amounts (before Seq. Reduction)	2024 <u>Rural</u> Locality 99 Minus Seq. Amt (-1.6%)	Previous 2023 <u>Rural</u> Locality 99 Seq. Amt	2024 Difference on Base Rates (+2.1%)
BLS (A0428)	\$ 263.69	\$ 259.47	\$ 254.02	\$ 5.45	\$ 266.27	\$ 262.01	\$ 256.51	\$ 5.51
BLS-E (A0429)	\$ 421.90	\$ 415.15	\$ 406.43	\$ 8.72	\$ 426.04	\$ 419.22	\$ 410.41	\$ 8.81
ALS (A0426)	\$ 316.43	\$ 311.37	\$ 304.82	\$ 6.54	\$ 319.53	\$ 314.42	\$ 307.81	\$ 6.61
ALS1-E (A0427)	\$ 501.01	\$ 492.99	\$ 482.63	\$ 10.36	\$ 505.92	\$ 497.83	\$ 487.37	\$ 10.46
ALS-2 (A0433)	\$ 725.14	\$ 713.54	\$ 698.55	\$ 14.99	\$ 732.25	\$ 720.54	\$ 705.40	\$ 15.14
SCT (A0434)	\$ 856.99	\$ 843.28	\$ 825.56	\$ 17.72	\$ 865.39	\$ 851.54	\$ 833.65	\$ 17.89
Mileage (1-17)	\$ 8.94	\$ 8.79	\$ 8.57	\$ 0.22	\$ 13.53	\$ 13.31	\$ 12.99	\$ 0.32
Mileage (18 and >)					\$ 9.02	\$ 8.88	\$ 8.66	\$ 0.22
Type of Service	2024 <u>Greater PHL</u> Published Approved Amounts (before Seq. Reduction)	2024 <u>Greater PHL</u> Locality 01 Minus Seq. Amt (-1.6%)	Previous 2023 <u>Greater PHL</u> Locality 01 Seq. Amt	2024 Difference on Base Rates (+1.5)	2024 <u>Super Rural</u> Published Approved Amounts (before Seq. Reduction)	2024 <u>Super Rural</u> Locality 99 Minus Seq. Amt (-1.6%)	Previous 2023 Super Rural Locality 99 Seq. Amt	2024 Difference on Base Rates (+1.5)
	Published Approved Amounts (before Seq. Reduction)	Locality 01 Minus Seq. Amt	Greater PHL Locality 01	Difference on Base Rates	Published Approved Amounts (before Seq.	2024 <u>Super Rural</u> Locality 99 Minus Seq. Amt (-1.6%)	Super Rural Locality 99	Difference on Base Rates
Service	Published Approved Amounts (before Seq. Reduction)  \$ 288.20 \$ 461.12	Locality 01 Minus Seq. Amt (-1.6%)	Greater PHL Locality 01 Seq. Amt	Difference on Base Rates (+1.5)	Published Approved Amounts (before Seq. Reduction)	2024 <u>Super Rural</u> Locality 99 Minus Seq. Amt (-1.6%)	Super Rural Locality 99 Seq. Amt	Difference on Base Rates (+1.5)
Service BLS (A0428)	Published Approved Amounts (before Seq. Reduction)  \$ 288.20 \$ 461.12 \$ 345.84	Locality 01 Minus Seq. Amt (-1.6%)	Greater PHL Locality 01 Seq. Amt	Difference on Base Rates (+1.5)	Published Approved Amounts (before Seq. Reduction)	2024 <u>Super Rural</u> Locality 99 Minus Seq. Amt (-1.6%)  \$ 321.23 \$ 513.97	Super Rural Locality 99 Seq. Amt  \$ 314.48 \$ 503.17 \$ 377.37	Difference on Base Rates (+1.5)
Service  BLS (A0428)  BLS-E (A0429)	Published Approved Amounts (before Seq. Reduction)  \$ 288.20 \$ 461.12	Locality 01 Minus Seq. Amt (-1.6%) \$ 283.59 \$ 453.74	Greater PHL Locality 01 Seq. Amt  \$ 279.20 \$ 446.73	Difference on Base Rates (+1.5) \$ 4.38 \$ 7.01	Published Approved Amounts (before Seq. Reduction)  \$ 326.45 \$ 522.32	2024 <u>Super Rural</u> Locality 99 Minus Seq. Amt (-1.6%)  \$ 321.23 \$ 513.97 \$ 385.47	Super Rural Locality 99 Seq. Amt \$ 314.48 \$ 503.17	Difference on Base Rates (+1.5) \$ 6.75 \$ 10.80
Service  BLS (A0428)  BLS-E (A0429)  ALS (A0426)	Published Approved Amounts (before Seq. Reduction)  \$ 288.20 \$ 461.12 \$ 345.84 \$ 547.58 \$ 792.55	Locality 01 Minus Seq. Amt (-1.6%) \$ 283.59 \$ 453.74 \$ 340.30	Greater PHL Locality 01 Seq. Amt  \$ 279.20 \$ 446.73 \$ 335.04	\$ 4.38 \$ 7.01 \$ 5.26 \$ 8.33 \$ 12.06	Published Approved Amounts (before Seq. Reduction)  \$ 326.45 \$ 522.32 \$ 391.74 \$ 620.26	\$ 321.23 \$ 513.97 \$ 610.33	Super Rural Locality 99 Seq. Amt  \$ 314.48 \$ 503.17 \$ 377.37	Difference on Base Rates (+1.5)  \$ 6.75 \$ 10.80 \$ 8.10
BLS (A0428) BLS-E (A0429) ALS (A0426) ALS1-E (A0427)	Published Approved Amounts (before Seq. Reduction)  \$ 288.20 \$ 461.12 \$ 345.84 \$ 547.58 \$ 792.55 \$ 936.65	Locality 01 Minus Seq. Amt (-1.6%)  \$ 283.59 \$ 453.74 \$ 340.30 \$ 538.82	Greater PHL Locality 01 Seq. Amt  \$ 279.20 \$ 446.73 \$ 335.04 \$ 530.49	Difference on Base Rates (+1.5)  \$ 4.38 \$ 7.01 \$ 5.26 \$ 8.33	Published Approved Amounts (before Seq. Reduction)  \$ 326.45 \$ 522.32 \$ 391.74 \$ 620.26	\$ 321.23 \$ 513.97 \$ 610.33	Super Rural Locality 99 Seq. Amt  \$ 314.48 \$ 503.17 \$ 377.37 \$ 597.51	Difference on Base Rates (+1.5)  \$ 6.75 \$ 10.80 \$ 8.10 \$ 12.82
BLS (A0428) BLS-E (A0429) ALS (A0426) ALS1-E (A0427) ALS-2 (A0433)	Published Approved Amounts (before Seq. Reduction)  \$ 288.20 \$ 461.12 \$ 345.84 \$ 547.58 \$ 792.55	\$ 283.59 \$ 453.74 \$ 340.30 \$ 538.82 \$ 779.87	\$ 279.20 \$ 446.73 \$ 335.04 \$ 767.81	\$ 4.38 \$ 7.01 \$ 5.26 \$ 8.33 \$ 12.06	Published Approved Amounts (before Seq. Reduction)  \$ 326.45 \$ 522.32 \$ 391.74 \$ 620.26 \$ 897.74	\$ 321.23 \$ 513.97 \$ 385.47 \$ 610.33 \$ 1,043.99	Super Rural Locality 99 Seq. Amt  \$ 314.48 \$ 503.17 \$ 377.37 \$ 597.51 \$ 864.82	Difference on Base Rates (+1.5)  \$ 6.75 \$ 10.80 \$ 8.10 \$ 12.82 \$ 18.56

2024 Medicare approved amounts for EMS agencies in PA are projected to increase by ~2.1% for Urban, Rural and Super Rural areas and ~1.5% in the Greater PHL area

These projections are based on the following key issues affecting ambulance services in PA:

- 1) CMS Ambulance Inflation Factor (AIF) for CY 2024 is 2.6%
- 2) <u>Sequestration Net Reduction Amounts of 1.6%</u> which were fully restored on August 1, 2022
- 3) <u>Decreased 2024 GPCI rates for both PA localities</u> (Locality 99 except PHL area = 0.927 vs. 0.933 in 2023 and Locality 01 = Greater PHL Area = 1.053 as compared to 1.068 in 2023
- 4) The <u>temporary base rate fee increases were extended until December 31, 2024</u>. (2% impact on urban, 3% for rural and 22.6% for super rural EMS services)

\*Certain projections may be slightly skewed due to rounding rules

\*Actual approved amounts are subject to change.

<u>Medicaid Reimbusement Change:</u> Awaiting final approval of offical 2024 Medicaid base rate and mileage reimbursement rates (ALL loaded miles). Projected to be at the highest PA published Medicare rates!



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