



September 14, 2007

Technical Bulletin #297A: Medicare Home Health Services Final Rules for FY2008; Agency Specific Impact Sheets

On September 7, the Illinois Hospital Association composed Technical Bulletin #297 which included some major provisions from final rules published by CMS governing Medicare payment policies for FY2008 for home health services. Since the composition of that bulletin, IHA, in conjunction with the Hospital Association of New York State (HANYYS), has estimated the impact of the rules on your specific agency. Enclosed are both the original technical bulletin ([click here](#)) and a report for your facility.

Each report includes a narrative explanation along with a supporting worksheet. The worksheet includes the following information for both FY2007 and FY2008:

- Wage Index values
- National rates for 60-day episodes and low utilization episodes
- Estimated percentage and dollar amount payment changes between 2007 and 2008
- Explanatory footnotes

IHA hopes this information is useful to you. Please compare these reports to specific analyses you may have put together and contact the Association if you have any questions or comments.

Staff Contact: [Tom Jendro](#): (630) 276-5516