

To: Chief Financial Officers – All Hospitals

From: Dennis Phelps, Deputy Director, Audit & Compliance

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**Re: Change in Standard Unit of Measure for Emergency Services
Provided at Free Standing Medical Facilities**

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide notice of a change in the standard unit of measure for emergency services provided at Free Standing Medical Facilities (FMFs). This guidance only affects the facilities currently utilizing the FSE rate center and reporting units as visits in that center.

FMFs should immediately begin utilizing relative value units (RVUs) rather than visits as the standard unit of measure for billing and reporting emergency services. Going forward, FMFs should report emergency services volumes and revenues under the EMG rate center.

The appropriate changes will be made to the HSCRC Accounting and & Budget Manual to recognize this change.

If you have any questions, please contact me at Dennis.Phelps@maryland.gov.

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