

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

42 CFR Parts 410 and 412

[BPD-878-CN]

RIN 0938-AH55

Medicare Program; Changes to the Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems and Fiscal Year 1998 Rates; Corrections

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), HHS.

ACTION: Final rule with comment period; correction notice.

SUMMARY: In the August 29, 1997, issue of the **Federal Register** (62 FR 45966), we published a final rule with comment period revising the Medicare hospital inpatient prospective payment systems for operating costs and capital-related costs to implement necessary changes resulting from the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, Pub. L. 105-33 and changes arising from our continuing experience with the system. This document corrects technical errors made in that document.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy Edwards, (410) 786-4531.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The August 29, 1997, final rule with comment period contained technical errors relating to codified regulations text. Therefore, we are making the following corrections:

1. On page 46030, first column, in the amendatory language of item number 17, first line, the phrase "In § 412.108 paragraph (a)(1)" is corrected to read "In § 412.108 the introductory text of paragraph (a)(1)".

2. On page 46037, second column, 26th line, the entry "§ 410.32(b)(1)" is corrected to read "§ 410.32(e)(1)".

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.778, Medical Assistance Program; No. 93.773 Medicare—Hospital Insurance; and No. 93.774, Medicare—Supplementary Medical Insurance)

Dated: September 30, 1997.

Neil J. Stillman,*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Information Resource Management.*

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

42 CFR Part 418

[BPD-820-CN]

RIN 0938-AG93

Medicare Program; Hospice Wage Index; Correction

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), HHS.

ACTION: Correction notice.

SUMMARY: This document corrects the final rule published August 8, 1997 (62 FR 42859), that established a methodology to update the wage index used to adjust Medicare payment rates for hospice care included in the new wage index, to be effective October 1, 1997. This notice corrects the wage index entry for Cherokee, GA.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carol Blackford, (410) 786-5909.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: We are making the following correction to the final rule published in the **Federal Register** on August 8, 1997 (62 FR 42859):

On page 42864, in the first column "Urban area (constituent counties or county equivalent)", under Table A, the wage index entry for Cherokee, GA, "0.9841", is corrected to read "0.9822".

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.773, Medicare—Hospital Insurance; and Program No. 93.774, Medicare—Supplementary Medical Insurance Program)

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

43 CFR Parts 2090, 2110, and 2130

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RIN 1004-AC98

Gifts; Acquisition of Lands or Interest in Lands by Purchase or Condemnation

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: BLM is removing the regulations that explain the procedures for donating land to the Department of the Interior, and those that describe the Department's authority to acquire land by purchase or condemnation under the King Range National Conservation Area Act. These regulations are either statements of policy, internal procedures, or restatements of statutory provisions. BLM believes that these regulations can be removed without any substantive impact on the public.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 5, 1997.

ADDRESS: You may send inquiries or suggestions to: Director (630), Bureau of Land Management, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Erica Petacchi, telephone: 202-452-5084; or David Beaver, telephone: 202-452-7788.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- I. Background
- II. Final Rule as Adopted
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I. Background

The final rule published today is a stage of a rulemaking process that will conclude in the removal of the regulations in 43 CFR parts 2110 and 2130. This rule finalizes a proposed rule that was published on September 11, 1996, in the **Federal Register** at 61 FR 47853. The rule provided for a comment period of 30 days, and BLM received no comments from the public.

This final rule is part of BLM's efforts to streamline its regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). BLM is removing unnecessary or obsolete regulations, and making the remainder of its regulations more understandable and relevant. The regulations this rule removes are repetitive of statutory language, obsolete, or merely informational. These regulations belong not in the CFR, but in other publications such as manuals or brochures.

II. Final Rule as Adopted

The final rule will remove the regulations in 43 CFR parts 2110 and 2130, with the exception of section 2111.4—Status of Lands, which will be relocated in subpart 2091.

Subpart 2110—Gifts; General

Most of subpart 2110 merely restates statutory provisions found in various sections of the U.S. Code, including two repealed sections. Section 2110.0-3(a) repeats language from the Taylor Grazing Act at 43 U.S.C. 315g. Section 2110.0-3(b) repeats language from the Public Land Administration Act at 43