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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Indian Health Service

**RIN 0917-AA26**

### Reimbursement Rates for Calendar Year 2026

**AGENCY:** Indian Health Service, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is provided that the Chief of Staff, who has the Delegated Authority of the Indian Health Service (IHS) Director has approved the rates for inpatient and outpatient medical care provided by the IHS facilities for Calendar Year 2026.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Background

The Chief of Staff, who has the Delegated Authority of the Indian Health Service (IHS) Director, under the authority of sections 321(a) and 322(b) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 248 and 249(b)), Public Law 83-568 (42 U.S.C. 2001(a)), and the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (25 U.S.C. 1601 *et seq.*), has approved the following rates for inpatient and outpatient medical care provided by IHS facilities for Calendar Year 2026 for Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries, beneficiaries of other Federal programs, and for recoveries under the Federal Medical Care Recovery Act (42 U.S.C. 2651-2653). The inpatient rates for Medicare Part A are excluded from the table below. That is because Medicare inpatient payments for IHS hospital facilities are made based on the prospective payment system, or (when IHS facilities are designated as Medicare Critical Access Hospitals) on a reasonable cost basis. Since the inpatient per diem rates set forth below do not include all physician services and practitioner services, additional payment shall be available to the extent that those services are provided.

Please note that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has issued a Final Rule to continue to pay an add-on to the Medicare Outpatient Per Visit Rate listed below for certain high-cost drugs for people with Medicare who receive care at IHS or Tribal hospitals for CY 2026. *See* 90 FR 53448, (November 25, 2025). The high-cost drugs qualifying for this add-

on payment for CY 2026 are listed in Addendum Q to this Final Rule, available at <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/payment/prospective-payment-systems/hospital-outpatient/regulations-notices/cms-1834-fc>.

#### *Inpatient Hospital per Diem Rate (Excludes Physician/Practitioner Services)*

Calendar Year 2026

Lower 48 States: \$5,707.  
 Alaska: \$5,208.

#### *Outpatient per Visit Rate (Excluding Medicare)*

Calendar Year 2026

Lower 48 States: \$826.  
 Alaska: \$1,222.

#### *Outpatient per Visit Rate (Medicare)*

Calendar Year 2026

Lower 48 States: \$733.  
 Alaska: \$1,233.

#### *Medicare Part B Inpatient Ancillary per Diem Rate*

Calendar Year 2026

Lower 48 States: \$1,289.  
 Alaska: \$1,617.

#### *Outpatient Surgery Rate (Medicare)*

Established Medicare rates for freestanding Ambulatory Surgical Centers.

Effective Date for Calendar Year 2026 Rates

Consistent with previous annual rate revisions, the Calendar Year 2026 rates will be effective for services provided on or after January 1, 2026, to the extent consistent with payment authorities, including the applicable Medicaid State plan.

**Clayton W. Fulton**,

*Chief of Staff, Delegated Authority of the  
 IHS Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Sleep Disorders Research Advisory Board (SDRAB).

This will be a hybrid meeting held in-person and virtually and will be open to the public as indicated below.

Individuals who plan to attend in-person or view the virtual meeting and need special assistance or other reasonable accommodation should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting. The meeting can be accessed from a link that will be provided once registration is confirmed.

*Name of Committee:* Sleep Disorders Research Advisory Board.

*Date:* April 9, 2026.

*Time:* 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* The purpose of this meeting is to seek guidance and gather input from the Sleep Disorders Research Advisory Board on research priorities conducted or supported by the Institute; and to continue discussions on the topics for the NIH Sleep Research Plan refresh.

*Address:* National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, National Institutes of Health, 6705 Rockledge Drive, Suite 407B, Bethesda, MD 20814.

*Meeting Format:* Virtual and In-person.

*Contact Person:* Marishka Brown, Ph.D., nom SDRAB, Executive Secretary, Director, National Center on Sleep Disorders Research, National Institutes of Health, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, 6705 Rockledge Drive, Suite 407B, Bethesda, Maryland 20814, 301-435-0199, [ncsdr@nih.gov](mailto:ncsdr@nih.gov).

*Date:* April 10, 2026.

*Time:* 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* The purpose of this meeting is to seek guidance and gather input from the Sleep Disorders Research Advisory Board on research priorities conducted or supported by the Institute; and to continue discussions on the topics for the NIH Sleep Research Plan refresh.

*Address:* National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Meeting Format:* Virtual and In-person.

*Contact Person:* Marishka Brown, Ph.D., SDRAB Executive Secretary, Director, National Center on Sleep Disorders Research, National Institutes of Health, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, 6705 Rockledge Drive, Suite 407B, Bethesda, Maryland 20814, 301-435-0199, [ncsdr@nih.gov](mailto:ncsdr@nih.gov).

Registration is required to attend the open portion of this meeting. To register, use the following link: <https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/65acb0f8-d2c3-44c1-9351e9d359e3bd0d@14b77578-9773-42d5-8507-251ca2dc2b06>.

Any member of the public interested in presenting oral comments to the committee may notify the Contact Person listed on this notice at least 10 days in advance of the meeting. Interested individuals and representatives of organizations may submit a letter of intent, a brief description of the organization represented, and a short description of the oral presentation. Only one representative of an organization may be allowed to present oral comments and if accepted by the committee, presentations may be limited to five minutes. Both printed and electronic copies are requested for the record. In addition, any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding their statement to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The

statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

Information is also available on the SDRAB home page, <https://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/about/advisory-and-peer-review-committees/sleep-disorders-research>, where an agenda and any additional information for the meeting will be posted when available.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.233, National Center for Sleep Disorders Research; 93.837, Heart and Vascular Diseases Research; 93.838, Lung Diseases Research; 93.839, Blood Diseases and Resources Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: January 20, 2026.

**Denise M. Santeufemio,**

*Supervisory Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**National Institutes of Health**

**Proposed Collection; 60-Day Comment Request; The Genetic Testing Registry (Office of the Director)**

**AGENCY:** National Institutes of Health, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirement of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 to provide opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the

National Institutes of Health Office of the Director (OD) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects to be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval.

**DATES:** Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if received by March 23, 2026.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, submit comments in writing, or request more information on the proposed project, contact: Mr. Taunton Paine, Director, Division of Scientific Data Sharing Policy, Office of Science Policy, NIH, (301) 496-9838, [SciencePolicy@mail.nih.gov](mailto:SciencePolicy@mail.nih.gov), 6705 Rockledge Dr., Suite 631, Bethesda, MD 20892. Formal requests for additional plans and instruments must be requested in writing.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 requires: written comments and/or suggestions from the public and affected agencies are invited to address one or more of the following points: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the function of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the

methodology and assumptions used; (3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

*Proposed Collection Title:* The Genetic Testing Registry, 0925-0651, Reinstatement without change, National Institutes of Health Office of the Director (OD), National Institutes of Health (NIH).

*Need and Use of Information Collection:* Clinical laboratory tests are available for more than 26,000 genetic conditions. The Genetic Testing Registry (GTR) provides a centralized, online location for test developers, manufacturers, and researchers to voluntarily submit detailed information about the availability and scientific basis of their genetic tests. The GTR is of value to clinicians by providing information about the accuracy, validity, and usefulness of genetic tests. The GTR also highlights evidence gaps where additional research is needed. The GTR also has tests for microbes such as SARS-CoV-2 to diagnose COVID-19.

OMB approval is requested for 3 years. There are no costs to respondents other than their time. The total estimated annualized burden hours are 2837.

**ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS**

Type of respondent	Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average time per response (in hours)	Total annual burden hours
Laboratory Personnel Using Bulk Submission .....	Minimal Fields .....	11	16	18/60	53
	Optional Fields .....	250	16	17/60	1,133
Laboratory Personnel Not Using Bulk Submission .....	Minimal Fields .....	84	16	54/60	1,210
	Optional Fields .....	57	16	29/60	441
Total .....	.....	402	6,432	.....	2,837

Dated: January 14, 2026.

**Matthew J. Memoli,**

*Principal Deputy Director, National Institutes of Health.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**National Institutes of Health**

**Center for Scientific Review; Notice of Closed Meeting**

Pursuant to section 1009 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the

provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.