

INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO. 2297-MC-FFS-D

DATE: December 20, 2021

TO: Iowa Medicaid Hospitals, Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioners, Physicians, and Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists

APPLIES TO: Managed Care (MC), Fee-for-Service (FFS), Dental (D)

FROM: Iowa Department of Human Services (DHS), Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME)

RE: Anesthesia Conversion Factor Update

EFFECTIVE: January 1, 2022

Pursuant to the authority of [2018 Iowa Acts, Senate File 2418, section 40](#)¹, the Iowa Medicaid anesthesia conversion factor adjusts annually to align with the most current Iowa Medicare anesthesia base rate.

Effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2022, the Iowa Medicaid anesthesia conversion factor will be \$1.32 per minute, using standard rounding rules to the nearest cent (\$19.86 / 15 minutes).

If you have questions, please contact the IME Provider Cost Audit and Rate Setting (PCA) Unit at 1-866-863-8610 or by email at costaudit@dhs.state.ia.us.

¹ [SF2418.pdf \(iowa.gov\)](#)