



Dear MACs,

FY 2016 Updated Wage Index PUF Now Available

CMS published a revised wage index Public Use File (PUF) on February 13, 2015. CMS indicated that the data had been desk reviewed and verified by the MACs before being published.

The updated PUF was published at:

<http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/AcuteInpatientPPS/Wage-Index-Files-Items/FY-2016-Wage-Index-Home-Page.html>

An HFS Wage Index Verification Tool is available from the software menu under “Tools|Wage Index Verification” to assist providers in identifying any errors.

Comma separated files of the PUF and a Quick Start Guide for use with the Wage index Verification Tool are available at <http://www.hfssoft.com/iFrame/Support/iWageVerify.aspx>.

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