

Dermatology Coding Alert

How Will Your Office's Fees Fare in the New Year?

The RVUs are the same, but the new conversion factor more than \$20 from some excision and repair codes

Keeping track of whether you are receiving accurate reimbursements from your carriers just got easier. Use this chart to be sure your carrier adheres to the 2006 fee schedule for these common procedures beginning Jan. 1.

Note: All RVUs shown are nonfacility. Reimbursement is calculated by multiplying the RVUs for a procedure by the conversion factor (36.1770 in 2006). The figures are rounded and have not been adjusted for geographical region.

This is only a representative sample. To download the complete 2005 fee schedule, visit the CMS Web site www.cms.hhs.gov/providers/pufdownload/rvudown.asp.