

ACCOMMODATION OF DISCOUNTS UNDER PROVIDER REIMBURSEMENT METHODS

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I. POLICY

A. A provider shall be reimbursed at an amount below the amount usually paid pursuant to this chapter when, under a program approved by TMA, the provider has agreed to the lower amount. This applies only when both the provider and TMA have agreed to the discounted payment rates. The TMA's agreement may be in the context of approval of a program that allows for such discounts.

B. In the case of individual professional providers and other non-institutional providers, a discount offer should be negotiated based on the lowest of the provider's normal billed charge, the prevailing charge, or the MEI adjusted prevailing (when applicable). See [OPM Part Two, Chapter 1 and 4](#).

C. With respect to services covered under this section, the Executive Director, TMA (or designee) has authority to establish, as an exception to the cost-sharing amount normally required pursuant to this chapter, a different cost-share amount that appropriately reflects the application of the statutory cost-share to the discount arrangement. See [OPM Part Two, Chapter 1](#).

II. EFFECTIVE DATE February 20, 1990.

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