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SUMMARY OF CHANGE(S): Per the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 delays the implementation of the Budget Neutrality Adjustment Factor (BNAF) until FY 2010. The 2009 wage indices are revised to include the full BNAF, eliminating the 25% reduction.

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