

EXHIBIT "A"

APPENDIX A

OREGON RELATIVE VALUE SCHEDULE  
FOR MEDICAL SERVICE

(1) The coding structure is that of the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT), Fourth Edition, 1984.

(2) There are four sections, each of which has its own schedule of relative values which is completely independent of and unrelated to any of the other four sections.

(3) In each section the code unit is followed by a relative value number, when such has been established. When no value has been established, the provider must submit with the billing a description of the service in detail sufficient for the payor to judge whether the fee is reasonable.

(4) In the surgery section, a third column shows the number of days of post-operative care included in the fee.

(5) In the radiology section, the second column shows the total value of an examination, i.e., costs of X-ray film, interpretation and making a report of the study.

(6) Physicians who inject air, contrast material or isotopes as part of a radiologic study shall bill for this service using CPT codes from the surgery section e.g. 62284 - injection for myelography.

[(7) When the claimant has been seen initially, examined, and a course of treatment prescribed, (e.g., manipulation, ultrasound, massage) subsequent visits to receive the treatment shall be billed as no more than the value of the treatment.]

(8) Continuous assessment of a patient is a part of treatment, therefore, routine examinations to check progress are not reimbursable.

(9) Routine X-ray examinations to check progress are not reimbursable.

(10) The Definitions and Items of Commonality, Current Procedural Terminology, pp. xiv - xviii, 1984, shall be the basis for determining levels of service. A disagreement about the level of service may be referred, by the physician, to the Medical Director, who may resolve the issue in favor of either party.

(11) Fees for reports:

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| a. 827 -   | \$10,   |
| 828 -  | \$10,   |
| 829 -  | \$10  |
| b. Copies of office chart notes<br>when requested by insurer - | \$3.50 for 1 <sup>st</sup> page, \$ .50 a page thereafter   |
| c. Brief Narrative -   | Summary of Rx to date and current<br>status; answer to 3-5 specific<br>questions - \$25   |
| d. Complete narrative -  | Past history, history of present<br>illness, treatment to date, current<br>status, impairment, prognosis,<br>medically stationary? - . \$50 |

[ ] Brackets indicate deletion