

In order to understand the columns on this spreadsheet, the following definitions will be helpful:

RVU = Relative Value Units. The scale on which reimbursement is defined, which includes pre-determined rates for work (W), practice expense (PE) and malpractice (MP). Each of these individual components is multiplied by the Geographic Pricing Cost Index (GPCI), which is specific to your Medicare contracted area, and that amount is then multiplied by the Conversion Factor established by CMS and annually adjusted by Congress. For this reason, actual payment amounts will vary slightly from what is presented in the spreadsheet. Please check your Medicare contractor websites for the fee schedules specific to your Medicare contractor.

Non-facility: These rates apply to independent audiology practices, otolaryngology offices and any free-standing facility that is not part of a hospital.

Facility: These rates are for those furnished in an inpatient or outpatient clinic hospital facility. These rates are typically lower than those furnished in a non-facility setting as the cost for those services is made in a separate payment.