

1 10A NCAC 22Q .0105 is proposed as a temporary rule as follows:

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3 **10A NCAC 22Q .0105 CERTIFYING HOSPITALS' OUTPATIENT COSTS**

4 (a) A certifying hospital's outpatient costs for uninsured patients will be determined by multiplying the
5 hospital's outpatient cost-to-charge ratio in Rule .0104(2)(c) of this Section by the hospital's outpatient
6 charges for uninsured patients from Rule .0104(2)(b) of this Section.

7 (b) From the product calculated in Paragraph (a) of this Rule, the Department will then subtract payments
8 that the hospital received from uninsured patients for outpatient services in Rule .0104(2)(b) of this Section.

9 (c) The Department will bring the uncompensated care cost data forward to the end of the payment period
10 by applying the applicable Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' Prospective Payment System
11 Hospital Input Price Indices, which are available at [https://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-](https://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Statistics-Trends-and-Reports/MedicareProgramRatesStats/MarketBasketData)
12 [Systems/Statistics-Trends-and-Reports/MedicareProgramRatesStats/MarketBasketData](https://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Statistics-Trends-and-Reports/MedicareProgramRatesStats/MarketBasketData).

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