



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Violet Varona-Lukens, Executive Officer
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Los Angeles, California 90012

Director of Health Services

At its meeting held October 26, 2004, the Board took the following action:

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At the time and place regularly set, notice having been duly given, the following item was called up:

Hearing on proposed billing rate adjustments which include the following, to comply with various program billing requirements and maximize Medicare reimbursement and to ensure that charges sufficiently cover costs, to be effective November 1, 2004; also elimination of the Observation Inpatient rate at all five Department of Health Services' hospitals:

Increase in Program services requiring itemized billing by 2%

Increase in hospital inpatient OB Special Care Nursery – Mother services at Olive View/UCLA Medical Center by 24%

Increase in Residential Drug/Alcohol Treatment services at Antelope Valley Rehabilitation Center by 56%

Increase in Family Planning Access Care and Treatment Program services by 2%

Increase in Breast Cancer Early Detection Program services by 3%

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Opportunity was given for interested persons to address the Board. No Interested persons addressed the Board. No correspondence was presented.

On motion of Supervisor Yaroslavsky, seconded by Supervisor Burke, unanimously carried, the Board closed the hearing and took the following actions:

1. Approved the billing rate adjustments, effective November 1, 2004;
and
2. Approved the elimination of the charge for Observation Inpatient Care at all five Department of Health Services' hospitals.

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