Work Values Increase for Many Psychiatric Codes

Below are many of the most frequently used codes by psychiatrists with the total relative value units for those codes from 2013 and the new values for 2014. The columns show the total relative value units (RVUs) for both nonfacility (outpatient services) and facility (inpatient services) payments. The column on the far right shows the increase or decrease in RVUs as well as the percentage change. These RVUs are multiplied by a "conversion factor" that yields a fee to be paid for each service.

| | | | 2013 | | 2014 | | Increase (Decrease) 2013 to 2014 | | Percentage Change | |
|--------------|--------------------------------|--------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| CPT¹ Code | Description | Status | "Non- Facility Total RVUs²" | "Facility Total RVUs²" | "Non- Facility Total RVUs²" | "Facility Total RVUs²" | "Non- Facility Total RVUs²" | "Facility Total RVUs²" | "Non- Facility Total RVUs²" | "Facility Total RVUs²" |
| 90792 | Psych diag eval w/med srvcs | А | 3.65 | 3.55 | 4.03 | 3.91 | 0.38 | 0.36 | 10.41 | 10.14 |
| 90833 | Psytx pt&/fam w/e&m 30 min | А | 1.22 | 1.21 | 1.85 | 1.84 | 0.63 | 0.63 | 51.64 | 52.07 |
| 90836 | Psytx pt&/fam w/e&m 45 min | Α | 1.98 | 1.98 | 2.34 | 2.32 | 0.36 | 0.34 | 18.18 | 17.17 |
| 90845 | Psychoanalysis | А | 2.20 | 2.19 | 2.59 | 2.57 | 0.39 | 0.38 | 17.73 | 17.35 |
| 90846 | Family psytx w/o patient | R | 2.17 | 2.30 | 2.91 | 2.89 | 0.74 | 0.59 | 34.10 | 25.65 |
| 90847 | Family psytx w/ patient | R | 2.60 | 2.71 | 3.00 | 2.98 | 0.40 | 0.27 | 15.38 | 9.96 |
| 90853 | Group psychotherapy | А | 0.72 | 0.72 | 0.74 | 0.72 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 2.78 | 0.00 |

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² If values are reflected for codes not payable by Medicare, these values have been established as a courtesy to the general public and are not used for Medicare payment.