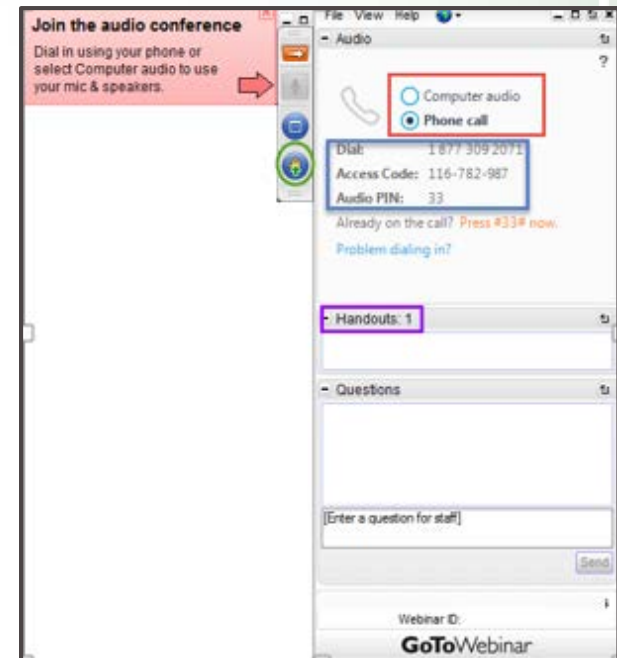


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Wisconsin Physicians Services Issues Allowance for Joint Commission Accredited Hospitals

May 22, 2017






DISCLAIMER

This information is provided to apprise hospitals of a new allowance to comply with a Local Coverage Determination (LCD) impacting reimbursement for certain services. It is not intended to convey legal advice or a binding interpretation of the impact of the LCD. Please consult your legal counsel if you have questions regarding the submission of claims for polysomnography and other sleep studies in light of this LCD.



State Hospital Associations Advocate for Clarification and Delay in Implementation of New Polysomnography Requirements

- January 1 – New LCD Published
 - February 16 – New LCD Implemented
 - March 13 – MHA sends letter to WPS
 - April 10 – MHA receives response from WPS
 - April 19 – Six state hospital associations send letter to CMS
 - May 4 – CMS holds conference call with six state hospital associations
 - May 12 – WPS issues notice of allowance for TJC hospitals
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Credentialing Guidance

Polysomnography

The LCD states the credentialing criteria:

The sleep facility credentials must be from the American Academy of Sleep Medicine, inpatient or outpatient;

OR

The Joint Commission (formerly the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations) sleep specific credentials for Ambulatory care sleep centers.

OR

Accreditation Commission for Health Care


The certification requirements for AASM and ACHC remain unchanged as stated in the LCD L36839, Polysomnography and Other Sleep Studies.



Notice provides allowance for TJC accredited hospitals

- WPS GHA understands that some sleep labs may have the general The Joint Commission credentialing for their hospital and not the sleep specific credentialing that is required.
- To allow these labs to become compliant with the current LCD, and with minimal provider burden, the following process will be implemented:
 - All sleep labs which had the TJC general accreditation prior to February 16, 2017, must request and apply to the TJC for the ambulatory care sleep specific credentials. This must be done within 90 days of the publication of this notification.
 - The application and letter from the TJC must be available upon request by WPS GHA.
 - The final credentialing must be in place within 12-months of the publication of this notification.





Joint Commission Ambulatory Care Accreditation for Sleep Centers: Meeting the Medicare Administrative Contractor Mandate

May 22, 2017

2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. (Central)

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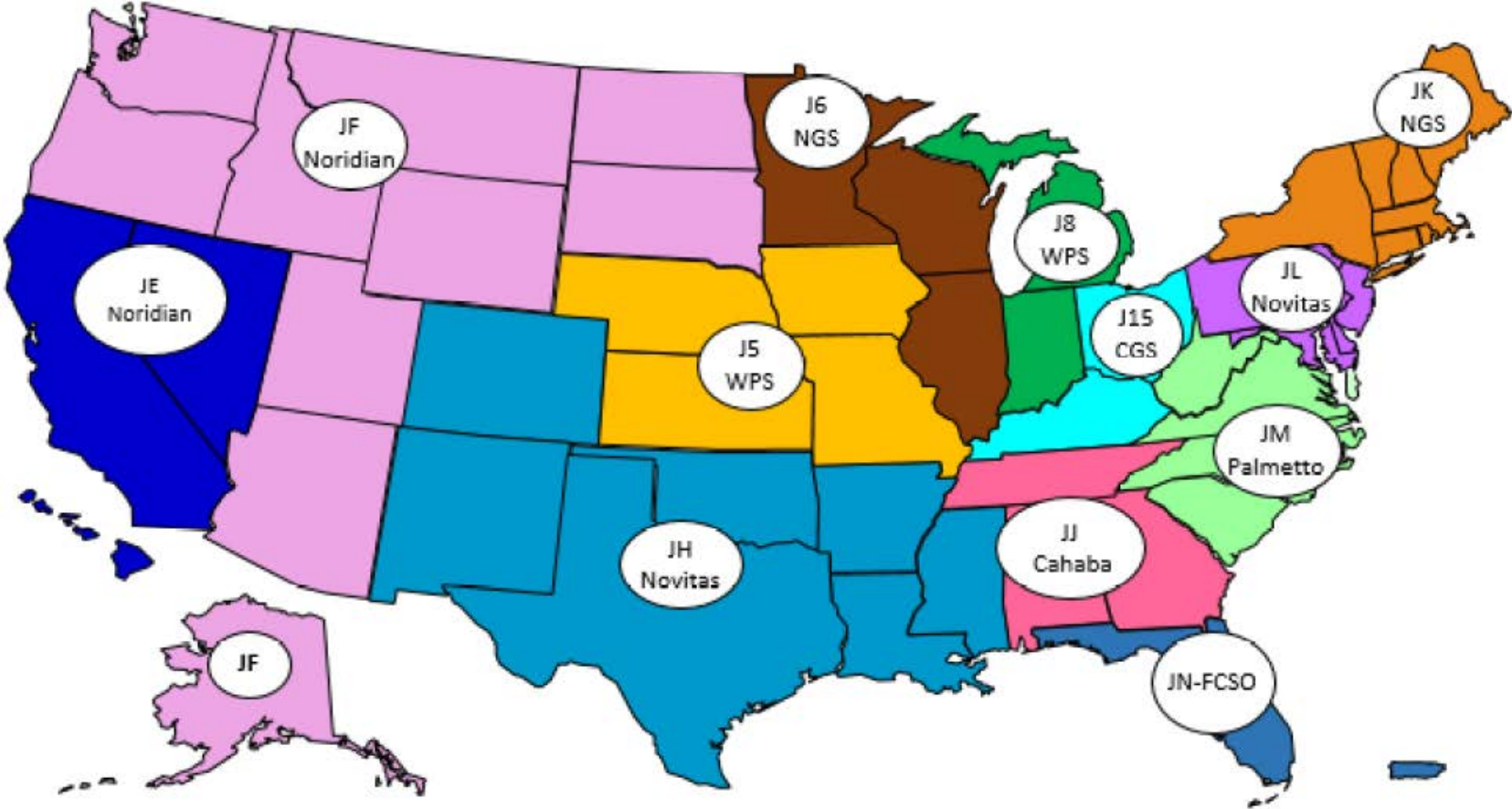
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Timeline of Joint Commission Interaction with WPS

<u>February 23</u>	Alerted to LCD 36839 by Missouri Hospital Association
<u>March 20</u>	Letter to WPS requesting reinstatement of hospital accreditation program
<u>April 17</u>	WPS response indicating that general hospital accreditation is not specific enough for sleep centers
<u>May 10</u>	Joint Commission requests that WPS adopt adequate time line for hospitals to pursue ambulatory accreditation
<u>May 12</u>	WPS issues clarification with extension for Joint Commission hospitals to pursue Joint Commission Ambulatory Accreditation of Sleep Centers

Jurisdiction Map

As of December 2015



Key Deadlines for Sleep Services Related to MAC Accreditation Mandate

Medicare Administrative Contractor	Application Due Date	Accreditation Due Date
WPS	August 10, 2017*	May 12, 2018*
CGS	August 9, 2017	May 11, 2018
Noridian	N/A	June 5, 2017

*WPS deadlines are only applicable to Joint Commission-accredited hospitals pursuing Joint Commission Ambulatory Accreditation for Sleep Centers. Otherwise, effective date was February 16, 2017.

Survey Options: Joint Commission Accredited Hospitals

- Request an Ambulatory Care tailored survey specifically for sleep services for each health care organization (HCO ID).
- This request can occur at any time (through an extension survey) or wait until next triennial survey.
- The unannounced Ambulatory Care survey will be conducted by surveyors with expertise in sleep services

Survey Options: Joint Commission Accredited Hospitals

- Sleep services will be evaluated under the Ambulatory Care standards.
- Once the hospital undergoes a successful Ambulatory Care survey, the hospital's sleep services will be granted *dual accreditation* (Hospital and Ambulatory Care), and will still continue to be included in the scope of the hospital's accreditation survey.

Survey Options: Non-Joint Commission Accredited Hospitals

- Can apply for Ambulatory Care Accreditation. *Note all Ambulatory Care services must be included in the scope of the survey, not just the sleep services.*
- Options for non-Joint Commission accredited hospitals will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.
- Sleep services will be evaluated under the Ambulatory Care standards.
- The Ambulatory Care survey will be conducted by surveyors with expertise in sleep services

Survey Process

- ▶ Eligibility requirements: 10 patients served with two active patients at the time of survey
- ▶ The Joint Commission is fully prepared to meet WPS' survey timeframe requirements.
- ▶ Surveyor complement includes a minimum of 1 surveyor for 2 days

Survey Process: Day 1

DAY 1

Time	Activity
2:00 – 2:30 p.m.	Surveyor Arrival and Preliminary Planning Session
2:30 – 3:00 p.m.	
3:00 – 3:30 p.m.	Opening Conference and Orientation to Organization
3:30 – 4:00 p.m.	
4:00 – 4:30 p.m.	Continued Surveyor Planning Session
4:30 – 5:00 p.m.	Individual Tracer Activity
5:00 – 5:30 p.m.	<i>Includes all activity with or on behalf of the patient up to the point of the sleep study taking place</i>
5:30 – 6:00 p.m.	
6:00 – 6:30 p.m.	
6:30 – 7:00 p.m.	Surveyor Dinner
7:00 – 7:30 p.m.	
7:30 – 8:00 p.m.	Individual Tracer Activity
8:00 – 8:30 p.m.	<i>Includes:</i>
8:30 – 9:00 p.m.	
9:00 – 9:30 p.m.	
9:30 – 10:00 p.m.	

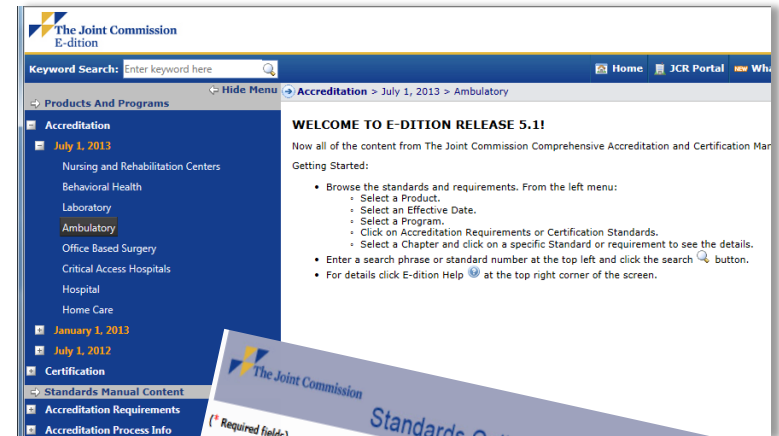
Survey Process: Day 2

DAY 2

Time	Activity
6:00 – 6:30 a.m.	Individual Tracer Activity <i>Includes:</i>
6:30 – 7:00 a.m.	
7:00 – 7:30 a.m.	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Observation of discharge process • Post-study patient education • Patient interview, if possible • Scoring of sleep study • Interpretation of sleep study • Reporting results to the referral source
7:30 – 8:00 a.m.	System Tracer – Data Management
8:00 – 8:30 a.m.	
8:30 – 9:00 a.m.	Environment of Care and Emergency Management
9:00 – 9:30 a.m.	
9:30 – 10:00 a.m.	Competence Assessment and Credentialing & Privileging
10:00 – 10:30 a.m.	
10:30 – 11:00 a.m.	
11:00 – 11:30 a.m.	Leadership Session
11:30 – 12:00 p.m.	
11:30 – 12:00 p.m.	Lunch
12:00 – 12:30 p.m.	Surveyor Report Preparation
12:30 – 1:00 p.m.	
1:00 – 1:30 p.m.	
1:30 – 2:00 p.m.	CEO Exit Briefing and Organization Exit Conference
2:00 – 2:30 p.m.	

Standards Resources

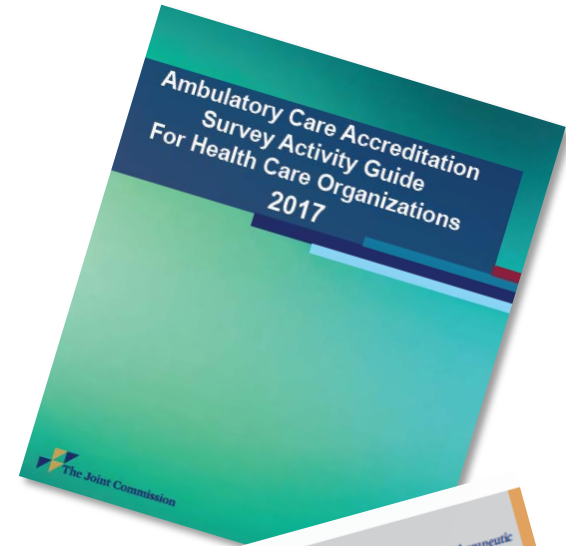
- Online standards access via e-dition
- Sleep applicability grid
- Standards Interpretation Group
- Call with inquiries
- Submit online form
- Online FAQs



The screenshot shows the 'Standards Online Submission Form' for The Joint Commission. The form is titled 'Standards Online Submission Form' and includes a 'Required fields' section. It asks if the user is a 'Joint Commission accredited?' and provides instructions for health care organizations. The form includes fields for 'Prefix', 'First Name', 'Last Name', 'Phone', 'Phone Extension', 'E-Mail Address', 'City', 'State', and 'Professional Credentials'. There is also a 'Questions' section at the bottom.

Resources

- Ambulatory Care Survey Activity Guide
- Sleep pricing worksheet
 - Average cost= \$10,515 across 3-year accreditation cycle
 - No deposit required and no 2017 annual fee (*Joint Commission accredited hospitals only*)



Step 1 Calculate your one-time survey fee.

Survey Fee	Annual Fee
1-1000	\$10,515
1001-2000	\$12,015
2001-3000	\$13,515
3001-4000	\$15,015
4001-5000	\$16,515
5001-6000	\$18,015
6001-7000	\$19,515
7001-8000	\$21,015
8001-9000	\$22,515
9001-10000	\$24,015

Step 2 Calculate your annual fee.

Annual Fee	Survey Fee
1-1000	\$10,515
1001-2000	\$12,015
2001-3000	\$13,515
3001-4000	\$15,015
4001-5000	\$16,515
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Step 3 Total accreditation fee. Add Step 1 and Step 2.

How to Request the Ambulatory Care Survey?

- Work closely with your dedicated Account Executive:
 - Update electronic application (e-App)
 - Sleep services location, annual patient visits, and hours of operation
 - e-App TABS requiring updates:



- Identify ready date timeframe
- Provide any special circumstances requiring attention

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