

(iii) On or before June 30 of each year, assess each hospital a fee in accordance with item (i) of this item; and

(3) (i) Assess fees for each nursing home equal to the sum of:

1. The amount equal to one-half of the total fees to be assessed on nursing homes under subsection (d)(1)(ii) of this section times the ratio of admissions of the nursing home to total admissions of all nursing homes; and

2. The amount equal to one-half of the total fees to be assessed on nursing homes under subsection (d)(1)(ii) of this section times the ratio of gross operating revenue of each nursing home to total gross operating revenues of all nursing homes;

(ii) Establish minimum and maximum assessments; and

(iii) On or before June 30 of each year, assess each nursing home a fee in accordance with item (i) of this item.

(i) (1) On or before September 1 of each year, each payor, hospital, and nursing home assessed under this section shall make payment to the Commission.

(2) The Commission shall make provisions for partial payments.

(j) Any bill not paid within 30 days of the payment due date may be subject to an interest penalty to be determined and collected by the Commission.

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(a) In this Part II of this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) (1) "Ambulatory surgical facility" means any center, service, office, facility, or office of one or more health care practitioners or a group practice, as defined in § 1-301 of the Health Occupations Article, that:

(i) Has two or more operating rooms;

(ii) Operates primarily for the purpose of providing surgical services to patients who do not require overnight hospitalization; and

(iii) Seeks reimbursement from payors as an ambulatory surgical facility.

(2) For purposes of this subtitle, the office of one or more health care practitioners or a group practice with two operating rooms may be exempt from the certificate of need requirements under this subtitle if the Commission finds, in its sole discretion, that:

(i) A second operating room is necessary to promote the efficiency, safety, and quality of the surgical services offered; and