

**MOA MEMBERS  
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## **MEDICARE UPDATE: NOTICES AND LINKS TO FEE SCHEDULES**

### **2008 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Changes AND RATE CHANGES**

The Medicare, Medicaid and SCHIP Extension Act of 2007 made several changes affecting payments to Medicare physicians. One change supplies a 0.5 percent increase to the physician fee schedule conversion factor for January 1 through June 30, 2008, instead of the -10.1 percent decrease that was scheduled to take place. Read the complete update:

[https://www.noridianmedicare.com/lsredirect.php?pdf=/provider/updates/docs/2008\\_MPFS\\_Changes\\_acro.pdf](https://www.noridianmedicare.com/lsredirect.php?pdf=/provider/updates/docs/2008_MPFS_Changes_acro.pdf)

### **Agenda for Part B Open Public Meeting Tuesday January 15, 2008**

Attached is the agenda for the Noridian Administrative Services, LLC (NAS) Open Public Meeting for Tuesday, January 15, 2008. The meeting will be held at the NAS Headquarters Building at 901 40th Street South, Suite 1 in Fargo North Dakota. The public is welcome. Read the complete update:

<https://www.noridianmedicare.com/provider/updates/docs/Agenda%2001152008%201.pdf>

### **2008 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Rate Change and Physician Participation Enrollment Period Extended**

The Medicare, Medicaid and SCHIP Extension Act of 2007 made several changes affecting payments to physicians. One such change provides for a 0.5

Percent increase to the physician fee schedule conversion factor for January 1 through June 30, 2008, instead of the -10.1 percent that was scheduled to take place. As of July 1, 2008, the -10.1 percent update to the physician fee schedule will go into effect. Read the complete update:

[https://www.noridianmedicare.com/lsredirect.php?id=EEAAulpAZpOZtuxeOI&tmpl=part\\_b\\_viewnews&style=part\\_ab\\_viewnews](https://www.noridianmedicare.com/lsredirect.php?id=EEAAulpAZpOZtuxeOI&tmpl=part_b_viewnews&style=part_ab_viewnews)

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