

## CMS Releases 2017 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Proposed Rule

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) recently published the 2017 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (MPFS) proposed rule, which impacts payments to physicians and freestanding radiation therapy centers.

The most widespread specialty impacts are generally related to the proposed changes to relative value units (RVUs) for specific services resulting from the Misvalued Code Initiative, including treatment devices (CPT 77332, 77333, 77334), special treatment procedure (CPT 77470)

and hyperthermia treatment codes (CPT 77600, 77605, 77610, 77615). There are no major policies proposed in 2017 specific to radiation oncology, which results in a 0 percent proposed impact for Radiation Oncology and negative 1.0 percent proposed impact to Radiation Therapy Centers.

For additional information, please download the [CMS Fact Sheet](#).