

Attention Anesthesiologists

A reduction in **Basic Value** has been applied to procedure code **01996** (DAILY HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT OF EPIDURAL OR SUBARACHNOID CONTINUOUS DRUG ADMINISTRATION). To keep payment in line with the complexity of the service, the base units have been reduced to one (1). The next published fee schedule will reflect this change.

Please note - Anesthesia Basic Value is automatically calculated during claim processing: **do not add** basic value to the minutes submitted on the claim. Also, since procedure 01996 is a daily code only one (1) minute/unit should be submitted in the units field.

Questions? Please contact the Office of Health Insurance Programs Operations at (800) 342-3005.