spouse’s annuity check. When the annuity is insufficient to cover the full subscription charge, the retirement system will follow the procedures specified in §890.806(1).


Subpart I—Limit on Inpatient Hospital Charges, Physician Charges, and FEHB Benefit Payments

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§890.901 Purpose.

This subpart identifies the individuals whose charges and FEHB benefit payments for inpatient hospital services and/or physician services may be limited and sets forth the circumstances of the limit.

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§890.902 Definition.

For purposes of this subpart, Retired enrolled individual means an individual who:

(a)(1) Is covered by a Federal Employees Health Benefits plan (including individuals covered under 5 U.S.C. 8905a) described by 5 U.S.C. 8903(1), (2) and (3), or 5 U.S.C. 8903a and is:

(i) An annuitant as defined in 5 U.S.C. 8901(3); or

(ii) A former spouse as defined in 5 U.S.C. 8901(10) or enrolled for continued coverage under 5 U.S.C. 8905a(f); or

(2) Is a family member of an annuitant or former spouse as defined in 5 U.S.C. 8901, or a former spouse enrolled for continued coverage under 5 U.S.C. 8905a(f); and

(b) Is not employed in a position which confers FEHB coverage; and

(c) Is age 65 or older or becomes age 65 while receiving inpatient hospital services or physician services; and

(d) Is not covered by Medicare part A and/or part B.

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§890.903 Covered services.

(a) The limitation on the charges and FEHB benefit payments for inpatient hospital services apply to inpatient hospital services which are:

(1) Covered under both Medicare part A and the retired enrolled individual’s FEHB plan; and

(2) Supplied to a retired enrolled individual who does not have Medicare part A; and

(3) Provided by hospital providers who have in force participation agreements with the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) consistent with sections 1814(a) and 1866 of the Social Security Act, and receive Medicare part A payments in accordance with the diagnosis related group (DRG) based prospective payment system (PPS).

(b) The limitation on the charges and FEHB benefit payments for physician services apply to physician services, (as defined in section 1848(j) of the Social Security Act), which are:

(1) Covered under both Medicare part B and the retired enrolled individual’s FEHB plan; and

(2) Supplied to a retired enrolled individual who does not have Medicare part B.

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§890.904 Determination of FEHB benefit payment.

(a) The FEHB plan’s benefit payment for inpatient hospital services under this subpart is the amount calculated by the FEHB plan, using information and instructions provided by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and guidelines specified by OPM, as equivalent to the Medicare Part A payment under the DRG-based PPS (this is, the amount payable before the Medicare deductible, coinsurance and lifetime limits are applied), reduced by any FEHB plan deductible, coinsurance, copayment, or preadmission certification penalty that is the responsibility of the retired enrolled individual.