#### RATE MANUAL EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2006 LOUISIANA PATIENT'S COMPENSATION FUND

### I. PCF PAYMENT SCHEDULE

#### New Enrollees:

<u>Providers with Primary Insurance</u>: Payment must be made on or before the effective date of coverage. If payment is made after the effective date of the primary policy, the PCF effective **date** will be the date the insurance company/agent **received** the payment on behalf of the PCF. Proof of provider's payment may be requested.

<u>Self Insured's</u>: The effective date of coverage is the **date of receipt** by the PCF of the completed application, the appropriate surcharge payment and the security in the amount of \$125,000.00.

### **Renewals:**

<u>Providers with Primary Insurance</u>: Payment must be made to the insurance company or agent NO LATER than **30** days after the expiration of the policy.

<u>Self Insured's</u>: The effective date of coverage is the date the PCF has **received** the completed application, appropriate surcharge payment and renewal information for the security. Payments need to be sent on or before the date of renewal.

**Tail Coverage**: Must be purchased from primary within **45** days of termination of policy.

#### <u>\*\*\*\*\*LATE PAYMENT BY THE HEALTHCARE PROVIDER WILL RESULT IN A GAP IN</u> COVERAGE.\*\*\*\*\*

## **RESPONSIBILITY OF THE INSURANCE COMPANY/AGENT**

Once payment is received by the insurance company/agent, the following is remitted to the PCF:

- 1. A certificate of insurance that includes the complete name and address of the HCP, specialty, license number, date of birth, dates of coverage, policy type, retro date (if applicable) and primary premium.
- 2. Appropriate surcharge payment. If other than what is found on the PCF rate sheet, an explanation is needed as to how it was calculated, such as part-time.

The insurance company/agent has **45** days from the date they receive the payment from a HCP to remit it to the PCF. If remitted past the 45 day period, a **12% penalty** will be charged to the insurance company/agent if the payment was due prior to 1/1/05. Payments due after 1/1/05 will be charged **5% + accrued legal interest** from the 46<sup>th</sup> day until paid. Proof of the primary payment will be requested if a payment is remitted beyond time allowed.

Notices of **cancellations** must be received within 30 days of effective date for full refund back to date of cancellation. Refunds will be made for current policy only.

## II. CLASSIFICATION PROCEDURE:

- **A.** For classification assignment purposes, the following phraseology is defined:
  - 1. The term "**no surgery**" applies to general practitioners and specialists who do not perform obstetrical procedures or surgery (other than incision of boils and superficial abscesses or suturing of skin and superficial fascia) and who do not ordinarily assist in surgical procedures.
  - 2. The term "**minor surgery**" applies to general practitioners and specialists who perform minor surgery generally use local anesthesia.
  - 3. The term "**major surgery**" applies to general practitioners and specialists who perform major surgery or who assist in major surgery on their own or on other than their own patients. Tonsillectomies, adenoidectomies, abortions, dilation and curettement, laparoscopic procedures, normal obstetrical procedures and cesarean sections shall be considered major surgery.
- **B.** When two or more classes are applicable to a general practitioner or specialist, the rate for the **highest** paid class shall apply.
- **C.** Any general practitioner or specialist who would normally be assigned to a class having a code number followed by an asterisk (\*) shall be classified and rated as "**Physicians--no major surgery**", code 80534, if any of the following medical techniques or procedures are performed:
  - a. **Acupuncture**--other than acupuncture anesthesia
  - b. Cryosurgery -- other than use on benign or pre-malignant dermatological lesions
  - c. **Lasers** -- used in therapy
  - d. Shock therapy
  - e. Liposuction
  - f. Skin flaps with arterial blood supply other than cancer therapy
  - g. Any dermatological procedure done under general anesthesia
  - h. Epidural injections for pain management
- D. Any general practitioner or specialist who would normally be assigned to a classification having a code number followed by a cross-hatch (#) shall be classified and rated as "Physicians -no major surgery", code 80533, if such general practitioner or specialist performs any of the following medical techniques or procedures:
  - a. **Catheterization** -- arterial, cardiac, central venous, or diagnostic, intraluminal angioplasty, occasional insertion of pulmonary wedge, recording catheters or temporary pace- makers, and umbilical cord catheterization for diagnostic purposes or for monitoring blood gases in newborns receiving oxygen.
  - b. **Needle biopsy** -- including lung, liver, kidney, and prostate.
  - c. **Radiopaque Dye Injections** into blood vessels, lymphatics, sinus tracts or fistulae (not applicable to Radiologist, Code 80280\*)
  - d. Pneumatic and mechanical esophageal dilation (not with bougie or olive)

- **E.** Nursing Home applies only to a licensed "home" as defined in R.S. 40:2009.2. A nursing home may include both skilled nursing beds as well as other beds, in which case the number of each type of bed must be included on the application and the appropriate surcharge remitted. A skilled nursing facility bed includes beds licensed or approved as such by the State and utilized for patients requiring either skilled nursing care or the supervision of skilled nursing care on a continuous and extended basis and corresponds to Medicare Part A skilled. Intermediate care corresponds to Medicaid Skilled. The PCF Other class corresponds with Medicaid Intermediate and assisted living.
- **F.** Locum Tenens Coverage: The PCF requires a surcharge for Locum Tenens. The surcharge is prorated based on the class and specialty of the physician who is utilizing the Locum Tenen and the number of days worked. The PCF provides for a minimum of \$250.00 or whichever is higher. When a physician completes the indicated period of time listed on the certificate of insurance, and he elects to return at a later point, he will be required to pay an additional surcharge based on the number of days worked.
- **G. Orthopedic Minor Surgery** includes outpatient procedures such as toe surgery, arthroscopic procedures, closed reductions, percutaneous pinning and other percutaneous procedures.
- **H. Corporate Coverage:** For Corporate coverage, a certificate of insurance is **required**. It must contain the names of the providers eligible for enrollment (HCP specialties listed in our rate manual) that make up the Corporation or Partnership, or work for the corporation or partnership, so that coverage can be verified and to confirm that no additional surcharge is due. No certificate of enrollment will be issued if there is a failure to comply with this provision and coverage will not be established within this office.
- I. Oral Surgeons: The maximum increase or decrease cannot exceed 15% of PCF surcharge due using prior surcharge rate of 39% of primary. (examples: if Oral Sur surcharge using 39% = \$5000 for 5th yr, surcharge would be \$5000 15% = \$4250, not \$3279. If 5th yr using 39% calculation is \$2000, the PCF surcharge would be \$2000 + 15% = \$2300 not \$3279).

# **III. PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS CLASSIFICATIONS**

Administrative Medicine	<u>Number</u> 80025	<u>Class</u> 1A
Aerospace Medicine	80230*#	1A
Allergy	80254*#	1A
Anesthesiology	80150	3
(This classification applies to all general practitioners or		
specialists who perform general anesthesia or acupuncture anesthesia)		
Bariatric Medicine	80229	1
Bariatric Surgery	80180	6
Broncho-Esophagology	80101	3
Cardiovascular Disease – major invasive	80109	3
(This classification applies to any cardiologist performing any of		
the following procedures: Angiography, Intraluminal		
Angioplasty, Myelography)		
Cardiovascular Disease – minor surgery	80281*	3
Cardiovascular Disease – no surgery	80255*#	2A
<b>Dermatology</b> – minor surgery	80282*	1A
Dermatology – no surgery	80256*#	1A
<b>Diabetes</b> - minor surgery	80271*	2
Diabetes - no surgery	80237*#	1
Emergency Medicine - including major surgery	80157	5
(This classification applies to any general practitioner or specialist		
regularly engaged in emergency practice at a clinic, hospital or		
rescue facility who performs major surgery)		
***SEE NOTES FOR OPTIONAL PER PATIENT VISIT RATING BASIS***		
Emergency Medicine - no major surgery	80102	4
(This classification applies to any general practitioner or specialist		
regularly engaged in emergency practice at a clinic, hospital or		
rescue facility who does not perform major surgery		
***SEE NOTES FOR OPTIONAL PER PATIENT VISIT RATING BASIS***		
Endocrinology - no surgery	80238*#	1
Family Practice - minor surgery	80273*	2
Family Practice - no surgery	80239*#	2A
Family Practice, not primarily engaged in major surgery	80117	3
but including routine obstetrical procedures, no C-sections nor		
laparoscopic procedures		
Family Practice - primarily engaged in major surgery	80142	5
Forensic Medicine	80240*#	1A
Gastroenterology - minor surgery	80274*	2
Gastroenterology - no surgery	80241*#	1
Gastroenterology -major invasive procedures	80535	3
(This classification applies to any gastroenterologist performing		
colonoscopies, endoscopic retrograde		
cholangiopancreatographies and/or peritoneoscopies)		
General Practice - minor surgery	80275*	2
General Practice - no surgery	80242*#	1

	Number	<u>Class</u>
General Preventative Medicine - no surgery	80231*#	1A
Geriatrics – (including institutional) minor surgery	80276*#	2
Geriatrics - no surgery	80243*#	1A
<b>Gynecology</b> - minor surgery	80277*	2
<b>Gynecology</b> - no surgery	80244*#	1A
Hematology - minor surgery	80278*	2
Hematology - no surgery	80245*#	1
Hospitalist	80330	2
Hypnosis	80232	1
Infectious Disease - minor surgery	80279*	2
Infectious Disease - no surgery	80246*#	2A
Intensive Care Medicine	80339	3
(This classification applies to any general practitioner or specialist		
employed in an intensive care hospital unit)		
Internal Medicine- minor surgery	80284*	2
Internal Medicine - no surgery	80257*#	2A
Laryngology - minor surgery	80285*	2
Laryngology - no surgery	80258*#	1
<b>Neonatology</b> - intensive care medicine	80283	2
Neoplastic Dis./Oncology - minor surgery	80286*	2
Neoplastic Dis./Oncology - no surgery	80259*#	1
Nephrology - minor surgery	80287*	2
Nephrology - no surgery	80260*#	1
<b>Neurology</b> -including child-minor surgery	80288*	2
Neurology-including child-no surgery	80261*#	2A
Nuclear Medicine	80262*#	1
Nutrition	80248*#	1
Occupational Medicine	80233*#	1A
<b>Orthopedic</b> – no surgery/procedures	80401	1
<b>Orthopedic</b> – Minor surgry/procedures	80402	3
<b>Ophthamology</b> - minor surgery	80289*	2
<b>Ophthamology</b> - no surgery	80263*#	1A
<b>Otology</b> – minor surgery	80290*#	2
<b>Otology</b> – no surgery	80264*#	1
Otorhinolaryngology - minor surgery	80291*	2
Otorhinolaryngology - no surgery	80265*#	1A
Pain Management – Specialist	80325	3
Pathology - minor surgery	80292*	2
(Coverage is included for pathological laboratories)		
Pathology - no surgery	80266*#	1
(Coverage is included for pathological laboratories)		
Pediatrics - minor surgery	80293*	2
Pediatrics - no surgery	80267*#	1
Pharmacology - clinical	80234*#	1A
<b>Physiatry</b> (no surgery/ no pain management)	80235*#	1A
Physicians - minor surgery	80294*	2
(This is an N.O.C. classification)		

<ul> <li>Physicians - no major surgery</li></ul>	<u>Number</u> 80534	Class 3
<ul> <li>Epidural injections - for pain management</li> <li>Physicians - no major surgery</li></ul>	80533	2
(NOT APPLICABLE TO RADIOLOGISTS, CODE 80280*) Physicians - N.O.C. (No procedures) Physicians - no surgery (This is an N.O.C. classification)	80236 80268*	1A 1
Podiatry Psychiatry - including children Psychoanalysis Psychosomatic Medicine. Pulmonary Disease. Radiology -diagnostic - minor surgery. (Including radiopaque dye injections into blood vessels, lymphatics, sinus tracts or fistulae. Coverage is included for X- Ray Laboratories)	80003 80249*# 80250# 80251*# 80269*# 80280*#	2 1A 1 1 2A 2
Radiology-diagnostic - no surgery (Coverage is included for X-Ray Laboratories)	80253*#	2A

<b>Radiology</b> -major invasive procedures (This classification applies to any radiologist performing angiographies, arteriographies, discograms, lymphangiographies, myelographies, phlebographies, pnuemoencephalographies, and/or radiation therapy)	<u>Number</u> 80536	<u>Class</u> 3
Rheumotology - no surgery	80252*#	1
Rhinology - minor surgery.	80270*	2
Rhinology - no surgery		1
		5
Surgery – abdominal		3 7
Surgery –cardiac		7 8A
Surgery –cardiovascular	80150	δA
disease	00115	2
Surgery –colon and rectal	80115	3
Surgery –endocrinology		5
Surgery –gastroenterology	80104	5
<b>Surgery</b> –general(This is an N.O.C. classification. This classification does apply to any general practitioner or specialist who occasionally performs major surgery)	80143	6
<b>Surgery</b> – general practitioner or family practitioner, not primarily Engaged in major surgery but including routine obstetrical Procedures, no C-sections nor laparoscopic procedures	80117	3
<b>Surgery</b> – general practitioner or family practitioner, engaging in major Surgery (NOT GENERAL SURGEON)	80142	5
Surgery – geriatrics	80105	5
Surgery – gynecology	80167	5
Surgery – hand	80169	3
Surgery – head and neck		7
Surgery – laryngology		5
Surgery – neoplastic	80107	5
	80107	5
Surgery – nephrology	80152	8
Surgery – neurology – including children		
Surgery – obstetrics		7
Surgery – obstetrics/gynecology		7
Surgery – ophthalmology		2
Surgery – orthopedic		6
<b>Surgery</b> – orthopedic – spinal surgery ("Spinal surgery" includes any open procedure on the spine, except myelograms, epidural steroid injections, and diagnostic procedures)	80172	8
<b>Surgery</b> – otology (This classification does not apply to general practitioners or specialists performing plastic surgery)	80158	5

<b>Surgery</b> – otorhinolaryngology (This classification does not apply to general practitioners or specialists performing plastic surgery)	<u>Number</u> . 80159	<u>Class</u> 4
Surgery – plastic	. 80156	5
Surgery – plastic – otorhinolaryngology	. 80155	5
<b>Surgery</b> – rhinology	. 80160	5
Surgery – thoracic	. 80144	6
Surgery – traumatic		6
Surgery – urological		3
Surgery – vascular		6
Urology/gynecology		5

## **III. SUPPLEMENTAL NOTES AND CHARGES**

**A.** The following additional charges shall apply for ALL indicated classifications, including such practitioners employed by others (2)(3)(4):

Corporate Liability	80999	20% of each individual class rate (1)
Partnership Liability	80999	20% of each individual class rate (1)
<b>ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSES</b>		
Physicians' Assistants Surgeon's Assistants Clinical Nurse Specialist Nurse Practitioner Nurse Midwives Nurse Anesthetist	80310 80323 80358 80324 80357 80900	35% of Class 1 35% of Class 1 20% of Class 1 20% of Class 1 75% of Class 1 See Rate Sheet
Locum Tenen Physician Liab.	80177	100% of stated surcharge prorated for period worked (minimum \$250
Chiropractors	ALL OTHER	87% of primary \$250 min.
Optometrists	ALL OTHER	87% of primary \$250 min.
Psychologists	ALL OTHER	87% of primary \$250 min.
Pharmacists	ALL OTHER	87% of primary \$250 min.
<b>Shock Therapy</b> by insured surgeon or physician involved with major surgery	80162	75% of class 1 (This additional charge applies to each surgeon or physicians doing shock therapy work)
<b>Radiation Therapy</b> by insured surgeon or physician involved with major surgery	80165	75% of class 1

#### NOTES:

(1) No charge will be made to cover such entity if all shareholders/ partners and professional employees are enrolled and qualified with the PCF. Otherwise a charge of 20% of each class rate will be made for shareholders/partners and employees not enrolled & qualified in the PCF. A separate Certificate of Insurance is required that lists all enrolled health care providers in the Corporation/Partnership.

(2) These rates apply not only to employees of individual providers, but also to employees or partnerships, corporations or professional associations practicing medicine. They apply per employee regardless of the number of partners.

(3) Any of the above special surcharge classes must be paid in addition to surcharges applicable for employing provider.

(4) The **\$250 minimum** charge is a POLICY-WRITING MINIMUM for the LAPCF, and may not be pro-rated.

- **B.** A physician or surgeon reducing classification will pay a one-time additional surcharge equal to the difference between the "tail" (reporting endorsement) charge for the higher classification and the tail charge for the lower classification. It will be based on the provider's maturity year at the time of the change.
- **C.** A physician or surgeon who is employed full-time by a hospital or clinic and has paid a full surcharge for his classification. And who is in addition in private practice may be eligible for a rate credit on the surcharge for his private practice, as follows:

35 hrs. practice/month or less	75% Credit
65 hrs. practice/month or less	50% Credit
85 hrs. practice/month or less	25% Credit
More than 85 hrs./month	No Credit

At the discretion of the Fund, these percentage credits may also be applied to physicians practicing on a part-time basis.

**D.** A physician or surgeon with a rate class in their primary insurance company that is different from the rate class shown in these pages for the Patients' Compensation Fund will in all instances pay the surcharge based on the PCF rate classes.

## E. Intern and Resident Rating Procedures:

General Medicine	Rate Class 3
General Surgery	Rate Class 5
Transitional (Med/Surg)	Rate Class 4
Pediatrics	Rate Class 1
Psychiatry	Rate Class 1
Other	PCF Rate class applicable to specialty

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Interns: 33% of indicated surcharge for applicable class
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Residents: 66% of indicated surcharge for applicable class

- **F. Retiring, Deceased or Disabled Physicians**: "Tail" coverage (Reporting Endorsement) premiums for these classes shall be considered as "included" in their last surcharge payment, and no additional charge shall be required for this coverage if they have been in the PCF for 10 consecutive years. However, a disabled physician who subsequently returns to practice must pay all applicable surcharges, just as any other active physician. This deferral also applies to the "step down" charge used for physicians who reduce their PCF classification. If such reduction the result of a permanent disability or illness which allows the provider to continue to practice medicine, but requires a reduction in the specialty class (for example, dropping to a "no surgery" classification after previously qualifying as a surgeon or surgical assistant), the "step down" charge shall be considered "included" in the last surcharge paid at the higher classification.
- **G.** Classes which do not fall within the range of these pages shall be rated at the discretion of the Fund. In most cases, such rates will follow the Insurance Service Office procedures.

#### H. ALTERNATE EMERGENCY PHYSICIAN RATING BASIS:

This rating basis is an option available to any group or individual Emergency Medicine practice whose underlying coverage is rated on a "per patient visit" basis (or, for self-insureds, those whose hospital contracts are maintained on a "per patient visit" basis). To qualify for this basis, providers must be able to supply the Fund with the means of verifying the number of patient visits recorded at year end. Such verification can take the form of premium audits from underlying policies, copies of verifications for hospital contracts, or any other form of verification acceptable to the Fund. Surcharges paid to the Fund will be adjusted at the end of each policy year based on verified numbers submitted. (PLEASE NOTE: This rating basis is the only alternative available to rating Emergency Medicine on a per-physician basis. Under no circumstances will any ER group or practice be rated as per the "All Other" rating procedures.)

Rates per patient visit are as follows. At the discretion of the Fund, where it is not possible to sort patient visits per physicians' individual retro-active dates, an average Claims-Made rate may be available as shown. Use of the average rate requires a written request to the Fund. Use of an overall retroactive date per group will not be allowed.

CLASS	(	CLAIMS MA	ADE MATU	RITY YEAR	2	occ
	Coverage: $\frac{1}{100}$	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<b>4</b>	5	0.07
4 5	1.22 1.21	2.02 $2.00$	2.41 2.37	2.55 2.53	2.73 2.69	2.97 2.90
"Tail" Coverage:						
4 5	$\begin{array}{c} 2.17\\ 2.18\end{array}$	3.10 3.10	3.46 3.41	3.59 3.57	3.59 3.57	

**Average Claims-Made Rates:** (\*\**These rates are only to be used by providers that are already using them. New Providers cannot use these rates.*\*\*)

	<b>Regular Cov.</b>	"Tail" Cov.
Class 4	2.18	3.18
Class 5	2.20	3.16

### LA PATIENT'S COMPENSATION FUND RATE PAGES

#### SUPPLEMENT: EXPERIENCE RATING

## 1. General:

Effective 7-1-93, the LA PCF initiated an experience-rating program for physician and hospital classes. The intent of the plan is to apportion a greater percentage of needed premium increases to those providers who are generated a greater-than-expected number of losses. This program replaces the 10% loss-free credit program previously available. That credit is currently not available.

While the provisions for application to the physician and hospital classes are slightly different, both operate under the following general parameters:

- **A.** Only those providers with two or more eligible losses in the five-year rating period, valued at \$2 or more each, will be affected. Not every provider meeting the criteria for rating shall earn a debit: a number of providers whose total losses fall below the indicated thresholds will simply pay manual premiums, like any other provider.
- **B.** Loses subject to inclusion are as follows:
  - 1. Any closed, paid loss (valued at \$2 or more) with a report date of 5 years prior to the renewal date; AND
  - 2. Any open, reserved loss valued at \$2 or more, regardless of original report date
  - 3. The "All Other" class will be experience rated under PH1 unless the providers included are classified at a higher level.
- **C.** Losses used in the rating plan will be valued as of 90 days prior to the expiration of the provider's coverage. Any changes in loss value after that date will be included in the next year's evaluation.
- **D.** Because the majority of the required information is only readily available to the Fund (rather than the providers and primary carriers), Fund personnel will calculate all modifiers in our offices, and send appropriate notice to the providers and carriers in our renewal billings. However, each affected provider will be given a copy of the worksheet used in the calculation, so that they may review the loss data for accuracy.
- **E.** Penalties are required in addition to the indicated surcharge increase shown in the attached rating pages.

### 2. Physician Class Program Specifics:

- **A.** The physician-class modifiers rely on specific ranges of losses. These vary by PH-class. Those eligible providers with total limited losses in the five-year period which fall within the stated ranges shown below will earn the indicated debit modifier.
- **B.** Modifiers are to be applied to the indicated renewal surcharge. (For example, a provider paying \$10,000 in normal surcharges who earns a 20% penalty will pay a total of \$12,000—i.e., \$10,000 x 1.20.)
- **C.** The indicated modifier shall be re-evaluated at each subsequent renewal. It is anticipated that providers will come in and out of the program as loss results change.
- **D.** The maximum penalty to any provider is 50%.
- **E.** Indicated modifiers and loss limitations by class:

Р	H1A, 1 & OTHERS		PH2A & 2		PH3
%	LOSS RANGE	%	LOSS RANGE	%	LOSS RANGE
Debit		Debit		Debit	
0	Up to \$15,866	0	Up to \$26,184	0	Up to \$38,897
10	\$15,867 to \$47,049	10	\$26,185 to \$60,301	10	\$38,898 to \$83,993
20	\$47,050 to \$92,849	20	\$60,302 to \$118,115	20	\$83,994 to \$148,956
30	\$92,850 to \$153,010	30	\$118,116 to \$185,168	30	\$148,957 to \$224,299
40	\$153,011 to \$222,785	40	\$185,169 to \$273,491	40	\$224,300 to \$335,628
50	\$222,786 or more	50	\$273,492 or more	50	\$335,629 or more
0	<b>PH4</b>	0	<b>PH5</b>	0	<b>PH6</b>
0	Up to \$47,598	0	Up to \$57,284	0	Up to \$71,227
10	\$47,599 to \$88,159	10	\$57,285 to \$108,547	10	\$71,228 to \$118,825
20	\$88,160 to \$156,893	20	\$108,548 to \$182,394	20	\$118,826 to \$199,484
30	\$156,894 to \$236,611	30	\$182,395 to \$279,669	30	\$199,485 to \$293,033
40	\$236,612 to \$341,618	40	\$279,670 to \$394,599	40	\$293,034 to \$416,258
50	\$341,619 or more	50	\$394,600 or more	50	\$416,259 or more

PH7		PH8A & 8
Up to \$109,452	0	Up to \$131,664
\$109,453 to \$178,112	10	\$131,665 to \$209,925
\$178,113 to \$277,021	20	\$209,926 to \$307,642
\$277,022 to \$423,171	30	\$307,643 to \$435,997
\$412,172 to \$599,077	40	\$435,998 to \$605,070
\$599,078 or more	50	\$605,071 or more
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## 3. Hospital Program Specifics

- **A.** Hospital modifiers are individually calculated based upon the provider's 5-year loss ratio with the Fund: that is, the relationship of surcharges paid in to losses paid out and reserved within the same five-year period. The losses shall be subject to the limitations shown below. The indicated modifier shall be the debit (if any) indicated by the loss ratio (i.e., any portion over 100%), subject to the maximum penalty of 50%.
- **B.** MAXIMUM SINGLE LOSS PROVISIONS: Those hospitals who have paid a cumulative total of less than \$300,000 into the Fund in the past five policy years shall have each individual loss limited to \$300,000 for experience rating. Those hospitals which have paid in a cumulative total of \$300,000 or more over the past five policy years shall have each individual loss limited to \$500,000 for experience rating.
- **C.** No provider shall pay more than 50% in penalty.
- **D.** As in the physician classes, losses shall be valued as of 90 days prior to renewal of coverage. Any changes in value after that date shall be considered in the following years' rating.
- **E.** Each provider shall be supplied with a copy of their worksheet, so that they may review losses and surcharge records for accuracy.
- **F.** In the event of a complete change of corporate ownership, the Fund may, at its discretion, amend the experience rating basis of the new entity to unity pending development of data by the new entity. Each such entity desiring such a change must make individual submission to the Fund. The new entities shall begin new experience ratings after completing one policy year under the new ownership.