

FINANCING ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES (CLAIM RATE)

1.0. PAYMENT

1.1. *Routine Processing*

To receive consideration for claim rate payments, the contractor shall submit vouchers under "Header Type 6" as specified in the TRICARE Systems Manual (TSM), [Chapter 2, Section 2.3](#). The contractor shall be paid for payment record claims at the claim count methodology and rates set forth in the contract, upon acceptance or provisional acceptance (as defined by the TRICARE Systems Manual) of the payment records by the TED record edit system. Payment will be made within 30 calendar days after TMA receives and accepts or provisionally accepts a TED voucher submission. Payment does not constitute final acceptance of services. If claims are adjusted and no longer qualify for a claim rate, or are discovered to be invalid, or the claim rate is contractually changed (definitized) later, these payments will be adjusted accordingly.

1.2. *Administrative Claim Payments When TEDs Are Not Processing*

If the TED Record processing system is not operating normally and upon notification by the Contracting Officer, the contractor shall submit the payment request using a method mutually agreed to by the contractor, the Contracting Officer and CRM for a commercial interim payment of the Administrative Claim Payments. The payment request should list the number of claims that are being processed for a given day and should be separated by CLIN. This may be done daily or grouped by no more than 5 days of claims. These payments will be made on the day that the administrative claim payments would have normally been paid if TED Records were processing. These payments will be treated as an interim payment and will be offset against the amount actually due, once the TED Record processing system is operating again, until routine schedule of payments is re-established.

2.0. METHOD OF CLAIM COUNT

The administrative claim count for payment purposes is one claim rate payment per TED record. The number of TEDs approved for claim rate payment is determined with each voucher submission.

3.0. DETERMINATION OF CLAIM PRICE

Payment of administrative expenses will be made on the basis of the claim rate in effect for the contract period in which the contractor originally processed the claim. The Batch/Voucher date in the voucher header will be used to determine the applicable rate.

