

Health Policy Committee-Economics

<p><i>Responsibilities</i></p>	<p>The Economics Committee will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Provide a forum for ASNR members to address coding, reimbursement and coverage concerns. ◆ Represent the membership on issues related to reimbursement that are germane to neuroradiology, as policies change or new policies are developed , including reviewing and commenting on the annual Proposed and Final Rules issued by CMS ◆ Act as liaison to the appropriate committees and commissions in organized medicine to ensure that the concerns of ASNR members are addressed by the appropriate venues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ AMA/Specialty Society Relative Value Scale Update Committee (RUC) ○ AMA CPT Editorial Panel, ○ ACR Commission on Economics, ○ ACR Commission on Neuroradiology, and other ACR commissions and committees ○ Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). ◆ Maintain a list of references and points of contact regarding coding and reimbursement issues. ◆ Provide necessary information and education regarding coding, valuation, reimbursement, and coverage to members, as necessary
<p><i>Goals</i></p>	<p><i>Continuing Goal:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Maintain active role in responding to the RUC’s Relativity Assessment Workgroup (RAW); work with the ACR to develop strategies and plans for optimal resolution to issues that are brought up by the process. ◆ Work with ACR and other radiology societies to evaluate the neuroradiology-related codes on the CMS Table 7, including the need for any CPT revision; survey and present these codes to the RUC as scheduled in 2013-2014. ◆ Encourage membership awareness, interest and participation in the work of the Committee, such as in presentations during the Socioeconomics Section of the Annual Meeting, submissions to AJNR, email alerts and ASNR website postings.
<p><i>Accountability</i></p>	<p>... to the Executive Committee via the Chairman of the Health Policy Committee.</p>