

### **Case Study # 1 - CMS**

68 year-old man presents to the ED on 10/1/2013 with several day history of urinary symptoms, vague intermittent abdominal discomfort, “gassy” and “feverish” feeling over the past several days, and intermittent chills and nausea without vomiting. Patient on oral medications for constipation, hypertension, cholesterol, and diabetes. Patient complains that he is not feeling like himself –no appetite, tired, “maybe a touch of the flu”. No other complaints.

- 10:00 pm -Patient is triaged.
- 10:10 pm -Urine sample and glucometer reading obtained and patient sent to the waiting room.
- 11:00 pm -MD assesses patient, orders therapeutic/additional diagnostic modalities.
- 12:00 am -Patient with new complaint of chest pain –additional therapeutic/diagnostic modalities ordered.

#### **10/2/2013**

- 12:15 am –MD re-evaluates and determines a need for medically necessary hospital services for this patient to beyond midnight #2.
- 12:35 am –Formal order/admission provided.

#### **10/3/2013**

- 7:35 am: Patient is discharged home.

**What can the hospital bill for this service?**