How do I update the CBSA code for transitional CY 2015 for Medicare PPS claims?

For CY 2015, some counties will use transitional rates and/or need to report transitional CBSA codes. These codes and rates are only effective for CY 2015. If a county your agency serves requires a transitional CBSA code on CY 2015 claims, this code and the corresponding transitional rate will need to be updated manually in HBS.

To determine if you need to add a transitional CBSA code/rate in HBS:

1. Go to http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/HomeHealthPPS/Home-Health-Prospective-Payment-System-Regulations-and-Notices-Items/CMS-1611-F.html?DLPage=1&DLSort=2&DLSortDir=descending
2. Download "CY 2015 Final Wage Index".
3. Open "HH PPS wage index 2015" and locate the county you serve. Example:

4. After locating the county, compare column D "Previous CBSA" and Column L "CBSA Number or Alternate Number that would go in the CBSA field on the claim". If the code in Column L is different than the code in Column D, you need to enter the CBSA code from Column L and the transition wage index from Column K in HBS.

   If codes in Column L and Column D are the same, still compare the transitional rate in Column K to the rate in Column J. If the rate is different, this transition rate from Column K needs to be added in HBS.

To update to the transitional CBSA code/wage index in HBS for the affected counties:

1. In HBS, go to File>File Maintenance>Category>Type=County.

2. **Click in the Code field, then click "Find" and select the county.**
3. **Click on the Rates tab. Confirm there are 2015 rates already entered. If not, the Web Updates Routine needs to be run to update the Data Files before completing the next steps.**
4. **Select the 2015 record. Enter the transitional code from Column L for your county in the Code field and the transitional rate from Column K "Transition Wage Index" in the Rate field.**
5. **Confirm the Start-Date is 1/1/2015 and the End-Date is 12/31/2015. Example:**

Category Maintenance: County - Browse

Category | Rates

Rate Type: Medicare

MSA/CBSA Rates:

Code	Rate	Start-Date	End-Date
99901	0.696300	1/1/2014	12/31/2014
50001	0.693900	1/1/2015	12/31/2015

6. **Press "Save" to save your changes. Repeat previous steps for any other counties that require a transitional rate.**