Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Title 38 Physician, Dentist, Podiatrist Pay Ranges for use at Indian Health Service (Includes Base Pay)

Effective January 3, 2021
IHS Tier Definitions for Pay Tables 1-4

| TIER 1 | Staff Physician, Dentist or Podiatrist | TIER 2 | First level supervisor, Clinical <br> Department Head, Clinical Director at <br> outpatient or free standing clinic. | $2^{\text {nd }}$ level supervisor, Clinical <br> TIER 3 | Director of Hospital/Medical Center <br> National program responsibilities <br> (normally a headquarters function) |
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| Pay Table 1 | Specialty/Assignment | Pay Table 2 | Specialty/Assignment |
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| Tier 1: \$108,645-243,000 <br> Tier 2: \$110,000 - 252,720 <br> Tier 3: \$120,000-280,340 | Endocrinology <br> Endodontics <br> General Practice - Dentistry <br> Geriatrics <br> Infectious Diseases <br> Internal Medicine/Primary Care/Family Practice <br> Palliative Care <br> Periodontics <br> Podiatry (General) <br> Podiatry (Surgery-Forefoot, Rearfoot/Ankle, <br> Advanced Rearfoot/Ankle) <br> Preventive Medicine <br> Prosthodontics <br> Rheumatology w <br> All other specialties or assignments not requiring a specific specialty training or certification | Tier 1: $\$ 108,645-282,480$ <br> Tier 2: $\$ 115,000-306,600$ <br> Tier 3: $\$ 130,000-336,000$ | Allergy and Immunology Hospitalist Nephrology Neurology Pathology PM\&R / SCI Psychiatry |
| Pay Table 3 | Specialty/Assignment | Pay Table 4 | Specialty/Assignment |
| Tier 1: $\$ 108,645-348,000$ <br> Tier 2: $\$ 120,000-365,000$ <br> Tier 3: $\$ 135,000-385,000$ | Pain Management (Interventional and Non- <br> Operating Room (OR) Anesthesiology) <br> Cardiology (Non-Invasive) <br> Emergency Medicine <br> Gynecology <br> Hematology - Oncology <br> Nuclear Medicine <br> Ophthalmology <br> Oral Surgery <br> Pulmonary | Tier 1: $\$ 108,645-400,000$ <br> Tier 2: $\$ 125,000-400,000$ | Anesthesiology <br> Cardiology (Invasive/Non-Interventional) <br> Cardio-Thoracic Surgery <br> Critical Care <br> Dermatology <br> Dermatology MOHS <br> Gastroenterology <br> General Surgery <br> Interventional Cardiology <br> Interventional Radiology <br> Neurosurgery <br> Orthopedic Surgery <br> Otolaryngology <br> Plastic Surgery <br> Radiology (Diagnostic) <br> Radiation Oncology <br> Urology <br> Vascular Surgery |

Pay Table 5
VA Leadership Position Coverage*

| Tier 1: $\$ 150,000-\$ 350,000$ | Network Chief Medical Officer; Chief of Staff - <br> Complexity Level 1a and 1b Facilities |
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| Tier 2: $\$ 147,000-\$ 325,000$ | Chief of Staff - Complexity Level 1c and 2 <br> Facilities |
| Tier 3: $\$ 145,000-\$ 300,000$ | Chief of Staff - Level 3 Facilities and Facilities <br> with no designation level |
| Tier 4: $\$ 140,000-\$ 285,000$ | Deputy Network Chief Medical Officer; All <br> Deputy Chiefs of Staff |

*Note that the IHS tier definitions for pay tables 1-4 do not apply to pay table 5 which applies to IHS Title 38 PDP recipients who are compensated primarily on the basis of their leadership responsibilities. IHS is currently assessing the use of VA pay table 5 and the alignment of IHS leadership positions with the pay table. Guidance regarding how VA pay table 5 applies to IHS leadership positons will be shared once finalized.

