

Rule 14. Definition of Community.

For the purpose of Section 65.2-605 of the Code of Virginia, the word “community” shall mean groups of three-digit Virginia zip codes as follows:

COMMUNITY	THREE-DIGIT ZIP CODES
1 – Northern	201, 220, 221, 222, 223
2 – Northwest	224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 244
3 – Central	230, 231, 232, 238, 239
4 – Eastern	233, 234, 235, 236, 237
5 – Southwest	240, 241, 242, 243, 245, 246

Pursuant to subsection G of Section 65.2-605.1 of the Code of Virginia, the community applicable to services rendered by a health care provider outside of the Commonwealth of Virginia shall be deemed to be that associated with the principal place of business of the employer if located in the Commonwealth of Virginia, or if no such location exists, then that associated with the location where the commission hearing regarding a dispute involving those services is conducted.

The commission may consider additional data to determine the prevailing community rate when appropriate.