



April 2020 Integrated Outpatient Code Editor (I/OCE) Specifications Version 21.1

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PROVIDER TYPES AFFECTED

This MLN Matters Article is for physicians, hospitals, providers, and suppliers billing Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) for services provided to Medicare beneficiaries.

PROVIDER ACTION NEEDED

This article provides the summary of changes to the Integrated OCE (I/OCE) instructions and specifications for the I/OCE that is being updated for April 1, 2020. **These changes are in Version 21.2, including 21.1.R1 and 21.1.R2.** Please make sure your billing staff is aware of this update.

BACKGROUND

CR 11680 informs the MACs and the Fiscal Intermediary Shared System (FISS) maintainer that the I/COE is being updated for April 1, 2020. The I/OCE routes all institutional outpatient claims (which includes non-OPPS hospital claims) through a single integrated I/OCE.

This I/OCE will be used in the Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS) and for non-OPPS claims for hospital outpatient departments, community mental health centers, all non-OPPS providers, and for limited services when provided in a Home Health Agency (HHA) not under the HH PPS or to a hospice beneficiary for the treatment of a non-terminal illness.

The I/OCE specifications will be posted on the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services website at <http://www.cms.gov/OutpatientCodeEdit/>.

Table 1: Summary of Quarterly Release Modifications

Type	Effective Date	Edits Affected	Modification
Logic	04/01/2020	24	Modify the software to maintain 28 prior quarters (7 years) of programs in each release. Remove older versions with each release. The earliest date included for this release is 07/01/2013.
Logic	01/01/2017		Add new payment method flag of X (Contractor bypass applied to Section 603 service with no reduction applied in OPPS Pricer) to be returned on output to identify a line(s) that have had a Contractor bypass applied to a Section 603 item or service that is not applicable for a reduction in Pricer. Note: The Contractor Bypass function is a CMS/Contractor related function and is not meant to be used by other end users or providers. See Contractor (MAC) Actions Impacting IOCE Processing for more information.
Logic	02/04/2020	67	Apply mid-quarter edit 67 (Service provided prior to FDA approval) to HCPCS U0002, if reported before 02/04/2020
Logic	03/13/2020	68	Apply mid-quarter edit 68 (Service provided prior to date of National Coverage Determination (NCD) approval) to HCPCS 87635, if reported before 03/13/2020
Logic	03/01/2020	68	Apply mid-quarter edit 68 (Service provided prior to date of National Coverage Determination (NCD) approval) to the following HCPCS if reported before 03/01/2020: 98966, 98967, 98968, 99421, 99422, 99423, 99441, 99442, 99443, 99457, 99474, G2010, G2012, G2061, G2062, G2063, G2023, G2024
Logic	01/13/2020	110	Apply mid-quarter edit 110 (Service provided prior to initial marketing date) to HCPCS Q5118, if reported before 01/13/2020.

Type	Effective Date	Edits Affected	Modification
Logic	04/01/2020	1	Update diagnosis code editing for validity, based on the FY 2020 ICD-10CM code update to include diagnosis code U07.1 COVID-19, effective 04/01/2020.
Content	04/01/2020		Modify the Description of Modifier CS to "Covid-19 testing related svc".
Logic	01/21/2020	68	Apply mid-quarter edit 68 (Service provided prior to date of NCD approval) to HCPCS 20560, 20561, 97810, 97811, 97813, 97814, if reported before 01/21/2020.
Logic	04/01/2020	1	Update diagnosis code editing for validity, based on the FY 2020 ICD-10-CM code update to include diagnosis code U07.0 (Vaping-related disorder) effective 04/01/2020.
Documentation	04/01/2020	10, 23, 24, 44, 84	Update notes within edit descriptions for edits 10, 23, and 24, 44 and, 84.
Content	04/01/2020	20, 40	Implement version 26.1 and 26.1.R1 of the NCCI (as modified for applicable outpatient institutional providers).
Content	04/01/2020		Make all HCPCS APC/SI changes as specified by CMS. In Version 21.1.R2, updates were made to the following lists: DATA_HCPCS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FQHC Non-Covered list • Added HCPCS with HCPCS APC/SI changes • Modified HCPCS SI/ Edits • Non-Covered services (edit 9) • Not recognized by OPPS (edit 62) • Service not billable to MAC (edit 72) • Statutory Exclusion (edit 50)

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Content	04/01/2020		<p>Make all HCPCS/APC/SI changes as specified by CMS. Updates were made to the following lists (please review the Quarterly Data Table Reports for additional detail). Due to the new table and file structure for January 2020, the tables that are updated which reference a list are specified below.</p> <p>DATA_APC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Added APC <p>DATA_MODIFIER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Modifier CS description updated <p>MAP_ADDON_TYPE I</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Addon Type I procedures (edit 106) <p>MAP_ADDON_TYPE III</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Addon Type III procedures (edit 108) <p>DATA_HCPCS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information Only Service list (edit 112) FQHC Non-Covered list Separate payment for services not provided by Medicare (edit 13) Device Procedure Edit 92 Bypass list (edit 92) Non-covered services lists (SI = E1, for edits 9) Non-reportable for OPPS list (SI = B, edit 62) Procedure and Sex Conflict list (female only) (edit 8) Terminated Device Procedure flag <p>OFFSET_HCPCS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Terminated Device Procedure Offset (Retroactively deleted 2 codes from table) <p>MAP CONFLICT RHC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RHC CG modifier non-payable conflict

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The official instruction, CR 11680, issued to your MAC regarding this change is available at <https://www.cms.gov/files/document/r10053cp.pdf>.

If you have questions, your MACs may have more information. Find their website at <http://go.cms.gov/MAC-website-list>.

DOCUMENT HISTORY

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March 6, 2020	Initial article released.

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