

OCE Purpose

Purpose of the OPPTS I/OCE functionality

The Integrated Outpatient Code Editor (I/OCE) software combines editing logic with the new APC assignment program designed to meet the mandated OPPTS implementation. The software performs the following functions when processing a claim:

- Edits a claim for accuracy of submitted data
- Assigns APCs
- Assigns CMS-designated status indicators
- Assigns payment indicators
- Computes discounts, if applicable
- Determines a claim disposition based on generated edits
- Determines if packaging is applicable
- Determines payment adjustment, if applicable

Purpose of the non-OPPTS I/OCE functionality

In addition to its editing function, the I/OCE program screens each procedure code against a list of approximately 2500 ASC procedures, and summarizes whether or not the bill is subject to the ASC limitation.

Appendix A contains lists of codes associated with program edits for both OPPTS and non-OPPTS processing