



Update to the International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM) for Vaping Related Disorder **and 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)**

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PROVIDER TYPES AFFECTED

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

PROVIDER ACTION NEEDED

CR 11623 announces the addition of new ICD-10-CM codes for vaping related disorder **and 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) conditions** to the Medicare Severity – Diagnosis Related Groups (MS-DRG) Grouper and Medicare Code Editor (MCE) software, effective for discharges on and after April 1, 2020. Make sure your billing staffs are aware of these changes related to the new code.

BACKGROUND

In response to recent occurrences of vaping related disorders, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) is implementing a new diagnosis code into the International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM), for reporting vaping-related disorder effective April 1, 2020.

The Grouper assigns each case into an MS-DRG based on the reported diagnosis and procedure codes and demographic information (age, sex, and discharge status). The new ICD-10 MS-DRG Grouper software package to accommodate this new code, Version 37.1, is effective for discharges on or after April 1, 2020.

The ICD-10 MCE Version 37.1 uses edits for the ICD-10 codes reported to validate correct coding on claims for discharges on or after April 1, 2020. Your MAC will begin editing claims

with MS-DRG Grouper version 37.1 and MCE version 37.1 software dates of discharge on and after April 1, 2020.

The ICD-10 MS-DRG V37.1 Definitions Manual Table of Contents and the Definitions of Medicare Code Edits V37.1 manual will be available at <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/AcuteInpatientPPS/MS-DRG-Classifications-and-Software.html>.

Note: CR 11623 does not provide any change in policy. Current policy is available in the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 3 (Inpatient Hospital Billing), Sections 20.2.1 (Medicare Code Editor (MCE)), and 20.2.2 (DRG GROUPE Program). You can review these manual sections at <https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/Downloads/clm104c03pdf.pdf>.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The official instruction, CR 11623, issued to your MAC regarding this change is available at <https://www.cms.gov/files/document/r10029OTN.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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January 31, 2020	We revised this article on January 31, 2020, to reflect an updated CR that changed the CR type from a Recurring Update Notification to a One Time Notification. The CR release date, transmittal number and link to the transmittal also changed.
January 24, 2020	Initial article released.

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