



## Latest Site Updates for the Medicare Coverage Database

January 2021

New functionality has been incorporated into the CMS Medicare Coverage Database (MCD). These changes are effective 1/22/2021:

### Overall:

1. Updated the tab names, for consistency, throughout the site. The tab name is located at the top of each screen on the browser tab.

### Help and Resources:

2. Updated the text for MCD vs. Medicare.gov on the Help & Resources page to indicate that the MCD is primarily intended for contractors, providers, and other healthcare industry professionals.
3. Updated the “How To - Link to the MCD” document to address some minor typos.

### Search:

4. Enhanced the MCD Search to recognize the CPT/HCPCS code even if the user enters it with a code modifier. The MCD Search will perform a code search and ignore the modifier.
5. Updated the Keyword search results display for NCAs and CALs to indicate, on the Summary Sheet, if a Keyword is present in the Tracking Sheet, a Proposed Decision Memo, or a Decision Memo.

### Downloads:

6. Updated the LCD Data Dictionary to indicate that the r\_article\_version can be ignored. Any time there is a related document link it always points to the latest version. The update was made to the Usage section of the LCD\_RELATED\_DOCUMENTS table.