MCD Overview Page
and
Advanced Searches Page

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MCD Overview Page and Advanced Search Page

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Agenda

Overview Page - A review of the following features and functions:

- ❖ Latest Site Updates document;
- ❖ MCD Update Status;
- ❖ MCD Archive Link;
- ❖ NCA/CAL Public Comments Feature;
- ❖ Related Links;
- ❖ Submit Feedback Tool; and,
- ❖ Quick Search

Advanced Search Page – A review using the Advanced Search Functions

- ❖ Search by Document ID
- ❖ Search by Document Type

Welcome to the MCD- Overview Page

The Medicare Coverage Database (MCD) is your online source for:

- Resources on Local and National Coverage Decisions
- Downloads of several of the Coverage Databases
- Reports regarding Database updates
- Other information, such as Site Updates, a User Guide, Emailing of documents, and more.

MCD Functionality

Page	Capability
Overview	Quick Searches, Latest Updates, MCD-Archive Access, Medicare Learning Network MCD Manual
Advanced Search	National and Local Coverage Searches by State, Contractor, CPT/HCPCS Codes, ICD-10 Codes, Keyword, NCD ID, NCA ID, CAL ID, and Date Criteria
Indexes	All National Coverage Policies and Articles, Local Coverage Policies and Articles sorted by Contractor/State/Alphabetically, Contractor Contact Lists
Reports	National and Local Coverage reports, Status reports, Self-Administered Drug (SAD) Exclusion List Report
Downloads	ZIP files of several of the Coverage Datasets
Basket	Provides ability to save a list of documents during a session that can be printed or emailed.

Overview Page

The Overview page of the MCD has plenty of information to review.

The Latest Site Updates provides the latest information on MCD enhancements.

The **Quick Search Tool** is the fastest way to find Local and National Coverage Documents.

Links to the MCD-Archive, the MCD User Guide.

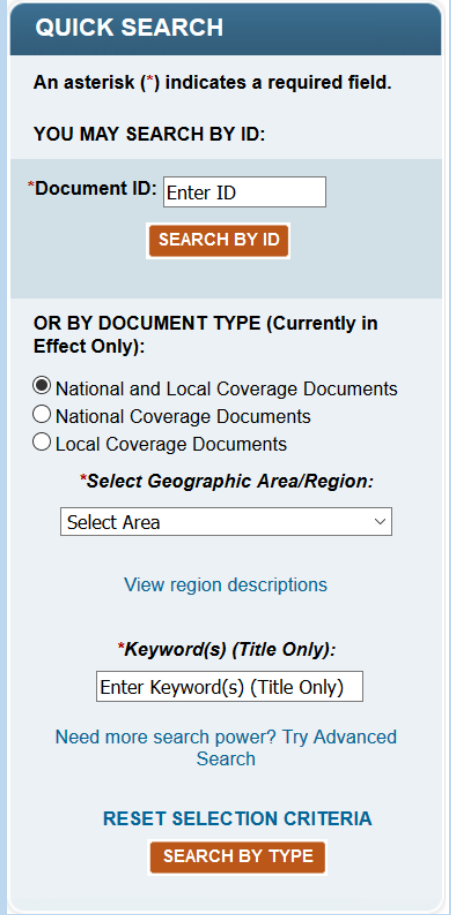
MCD Update Status Information.

Quick Search

The Quick Search tool can be used in two different ways.

1) If the user has the Document ID Number (LCD ID, Article ID, NCD ID, NCA ID or CAL ID), searching by ID is the most direct route to the document.

2) If the user is not sure of the Document ID Number or is looking for a document without an ID, searching by "Document Type" should be used. This search can be sorted by National and Local Coverage Documents, State, Keyword, CPT/HCPCS, and other options.

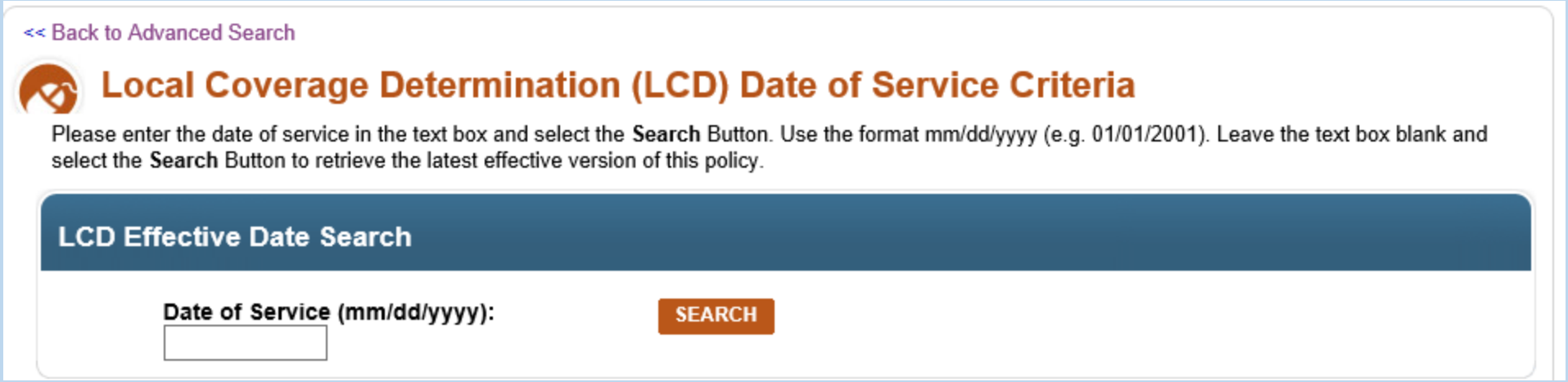


Quick Search by Document ID

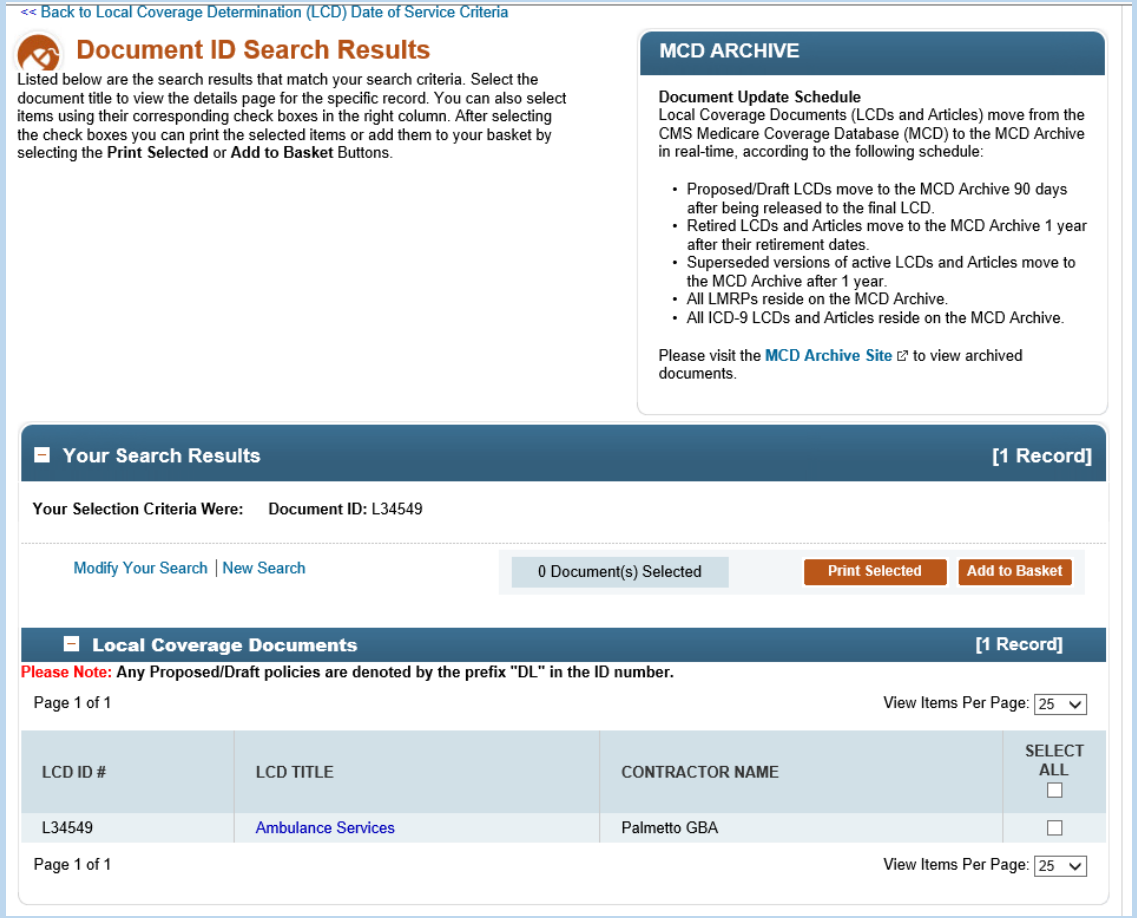
In this example, L34549 is used as the Document ID.

Quick Search by Document ID
LCD - L34549

- If there is a specific date of service that is being requested, please enter it here. However, if the Date of Service text box remains blank, the most recent document version displays on the query results page.



Quick Search by Document ID: Query Results Page

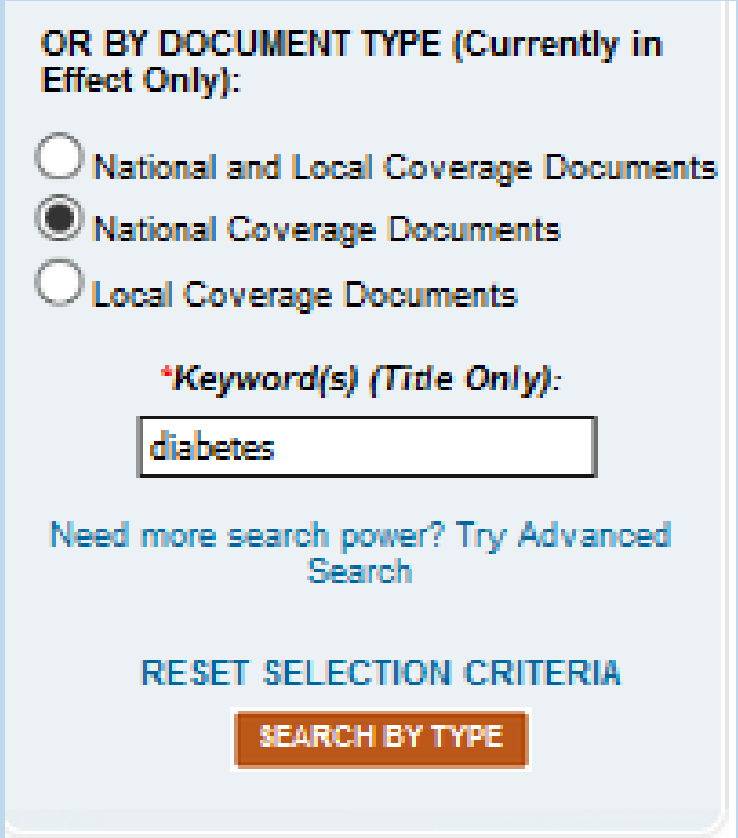


Quick Search by NCD

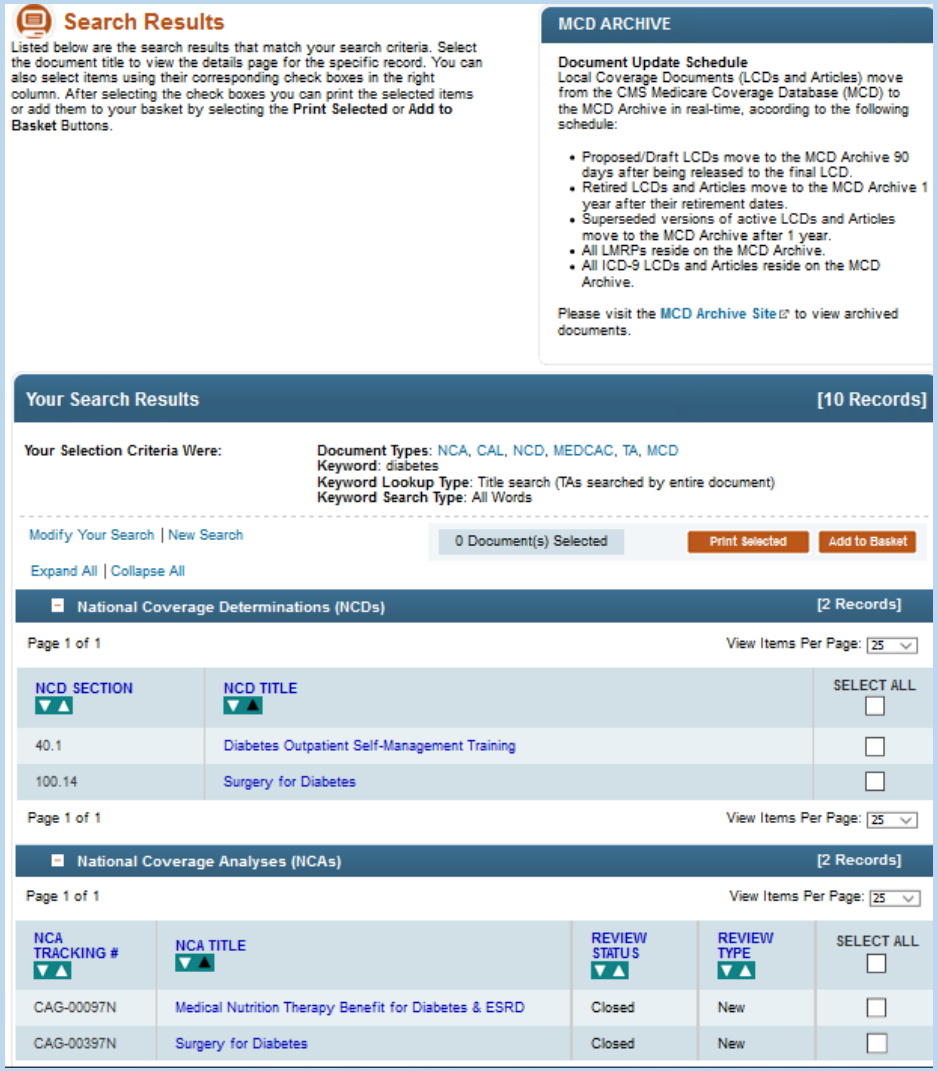
The Quick Search can also be used to find documents by type, which includes Local and National Coverage Documents.

Any Search including National Document Searches cannot be searched used a CPT/HCPCS Code or an ICD-10 Code since these documents do not contain codes. They only allow key word searches.

For this search, selecting National Coverage Documents only gives us the ability to use a key word search. The key word that we will be using is Diabetes.



Quick Search by NCD: Query Results



Search Results

Listed below are the search results that match your search criteria. Select the document title to view the details page for the specific record. You can also select items using their corresponding check boxes in the right column. After selecting the check boxes you can print the selected items or add them to your basket by selecting the **Print Selected** or **Add to Basket** Buttons.

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Your Search Results [10 Records]

Your Selection Criteria Were:

Document Types: NCA, CAL, NCD, MEDCAC, TA, MCD
Keyword: diabetes
Keyword Lookup Type: Title search (TAs searched by entire document)
Keyword Search Type: All Words

Modify Your Search | New Search

0 Document(s) Selected | Print Selected | Add to Basket

Expand All | Collapse All

National Coverage Determinations (NCDs) [2 Records]

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NCD SECTION	NCD TITLE	SELECT ALL
40.1	Diabetes Outpatient Self-Management Training	
100.14	Surgery for Diabetes	

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National Coverage Analyses (NCAs) [2 Records]

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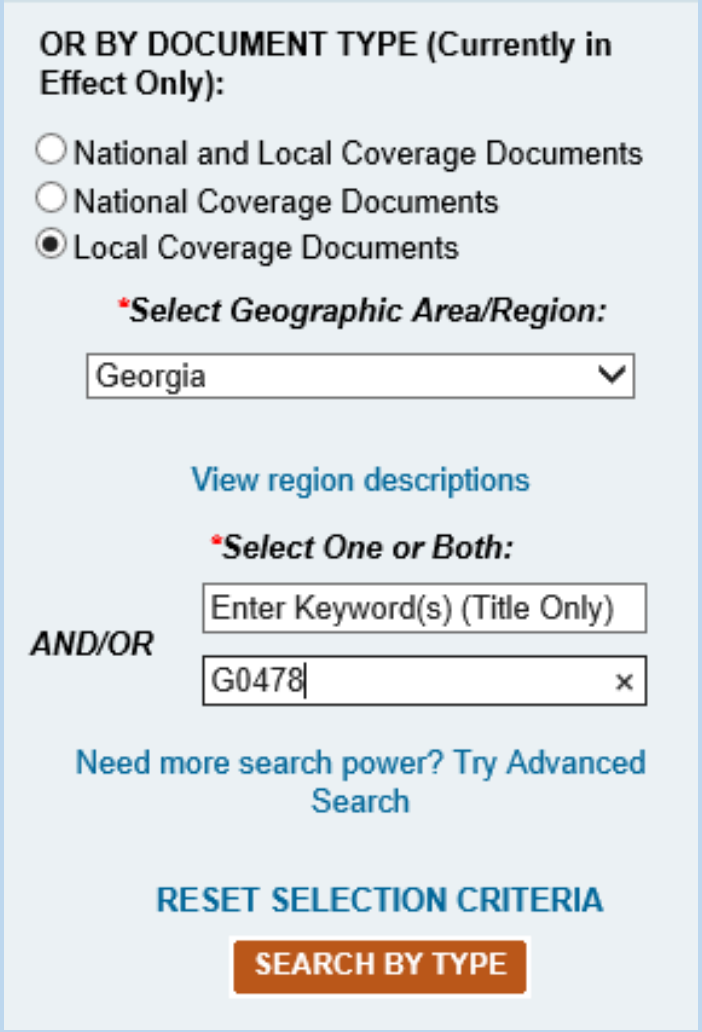
NCA TRACKING #	NCA TITLE	REVIEW STATUS	REVIEW TYPE	SELECT ALL
CAG-00097N	Medical Nutrition Therapy Benefit for Diabetes & ESRD	Closed	New	
CAG-00397N	Surgery for Diabetes	Closed	New	

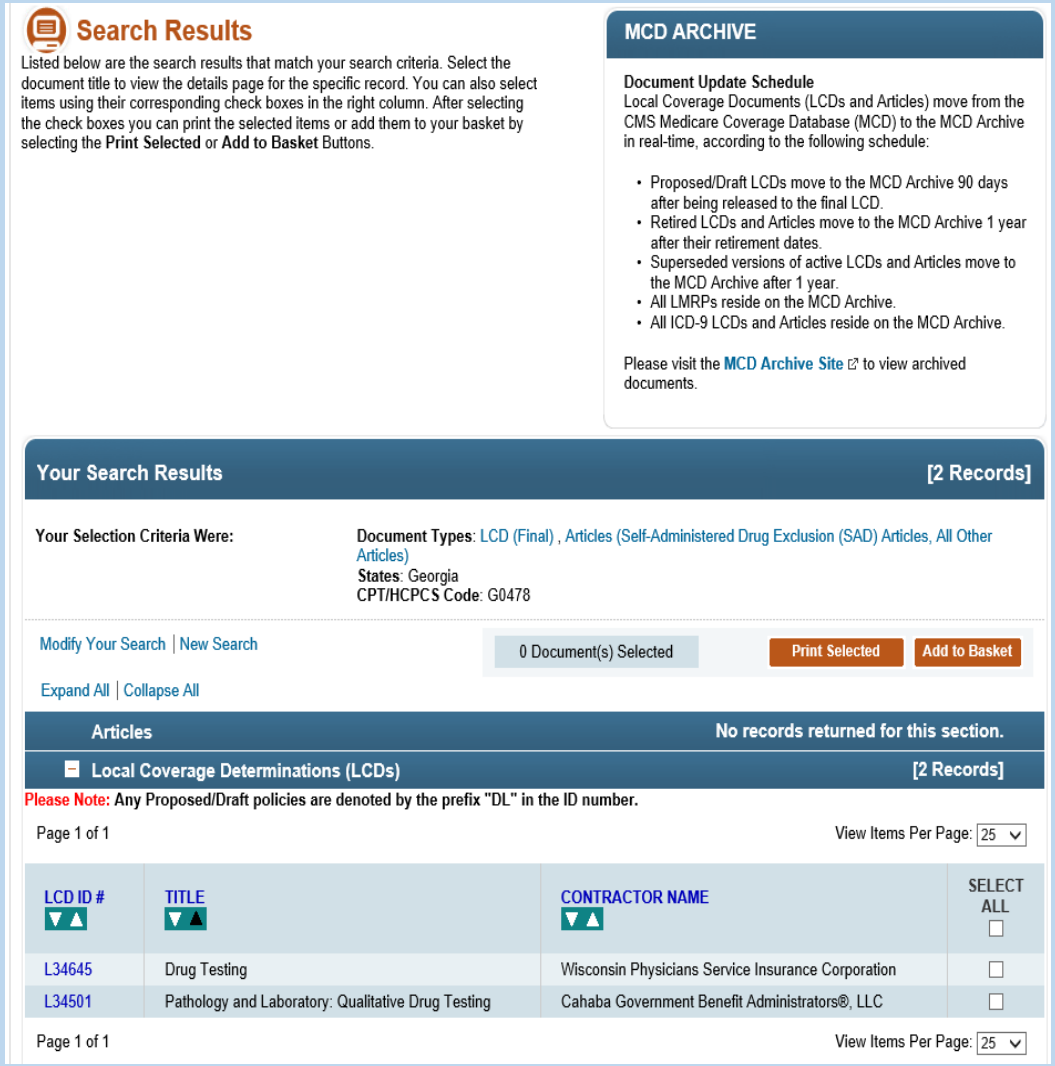
Quick Search by LCD



If Local Coverage documents are all that are needed, they be selected by State, with a Keyword or CPT/HCPCS Code.

For this particular example, we will use the State of Georgia, and search by CPT Code G0478.

Quick Search by NCD: Query Results



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Your Search Results [2 Records]

Your Selection Criteria Were:

Document Types: LCD (Final) , Articles (Self-Administered Drug Exclusion (SAD) Articles, All Other Articles)
States: Georgia
CPT/HCPCS Code: G0478

Modify Your Search | New Search

0 Document(s) Selected | Print Selected | Add to Basket

Expand All | Collapse All

Articles — No records returned for this section.

Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs) [2 Records]

Please Note: Any Proposed/Draft policies are denoted by the prefix "DL" in the ID number.

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LCD ID #	TITLE	CONTRACTOR NAME	SELECT ALL
L34645	Drug Testing	Wisconsin Physicians Service Insurance Corporation	☐
L34501	Pathology and Laboratory: Qualitative Drug Testing	Cahaba Government Benefit Administrators®, LLC	☐

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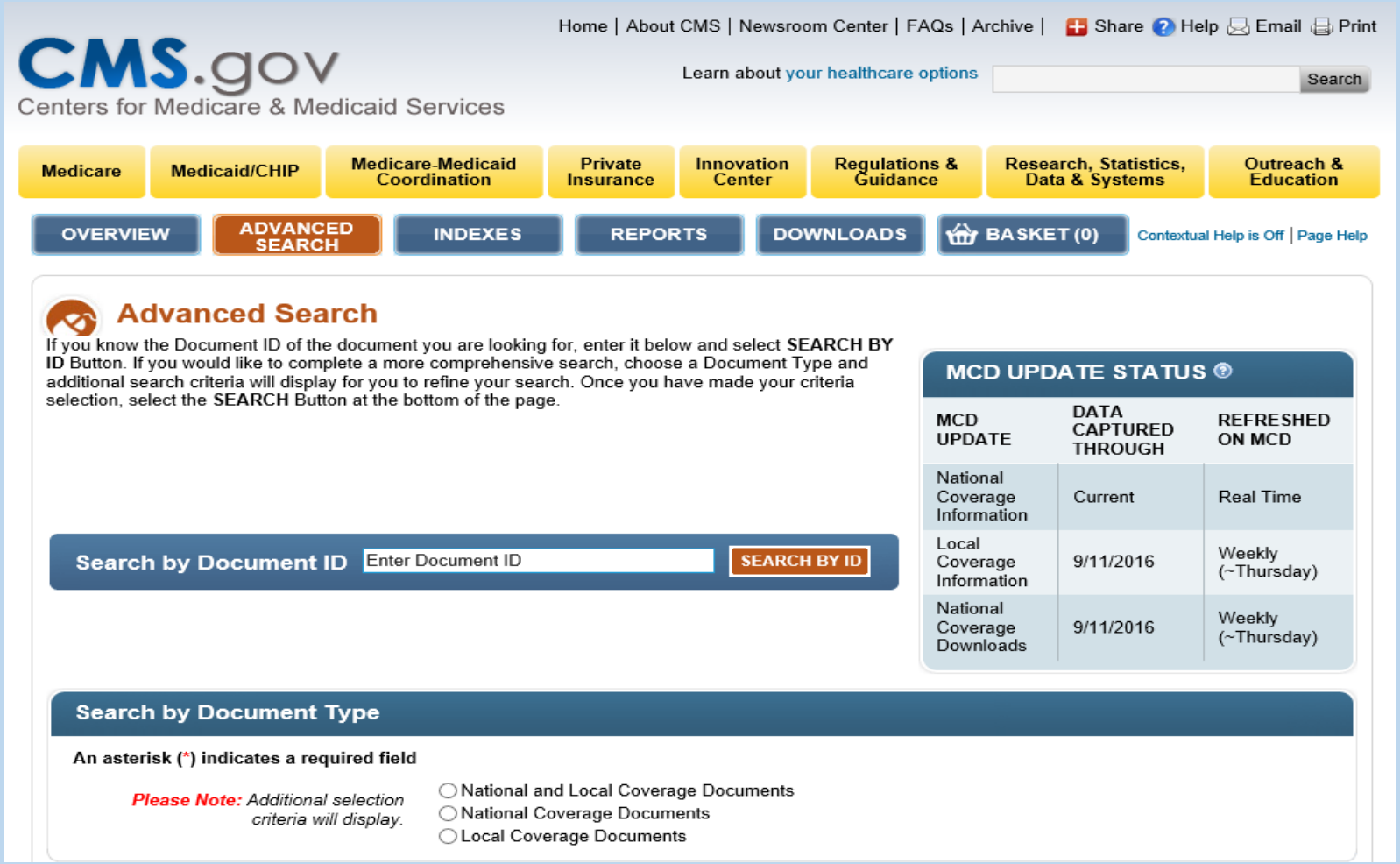
Advanced Search Page:
Searches by Document ID and Document Type



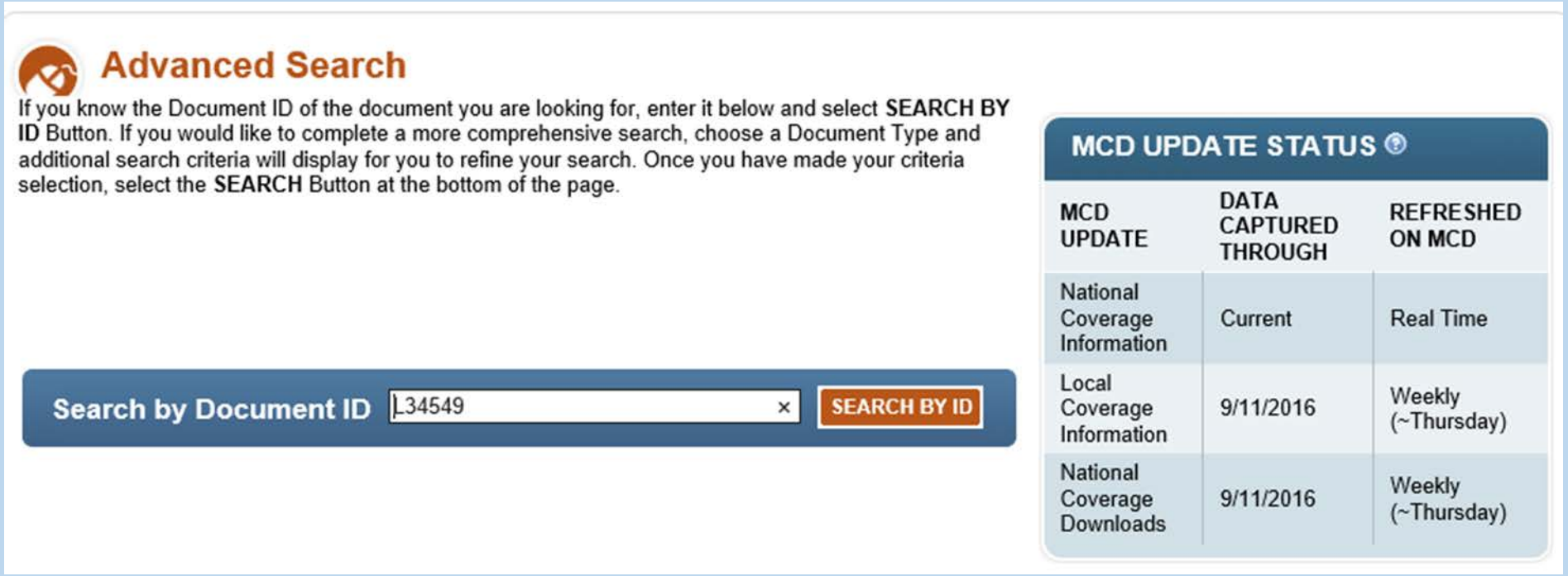
Part I: Advanced Search By Document ID

- To search using this feature, you will need a Document ID.
- For our examples, we used the following Document IDs for this presentation.

- LCDs – L34549
- Proposed LCDs – DL36749
- Articles – A54574
- NCDs – 30.1
- NCAs – CAG-00067R

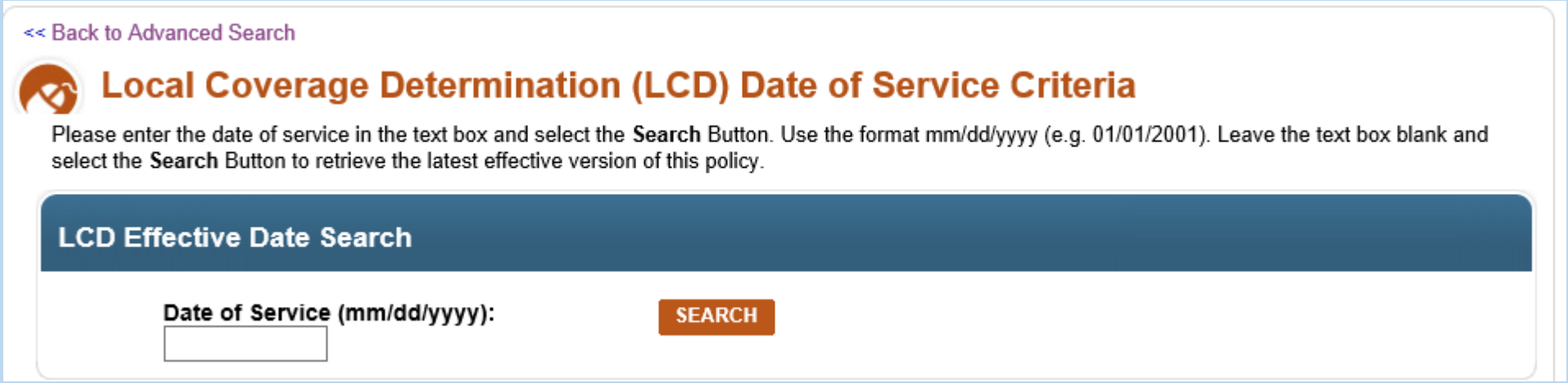
Advanced Search by Document ID
LCD - L34549

- Add the LCD ID to the "Search by Document ID" field on the Advanced Search Page.

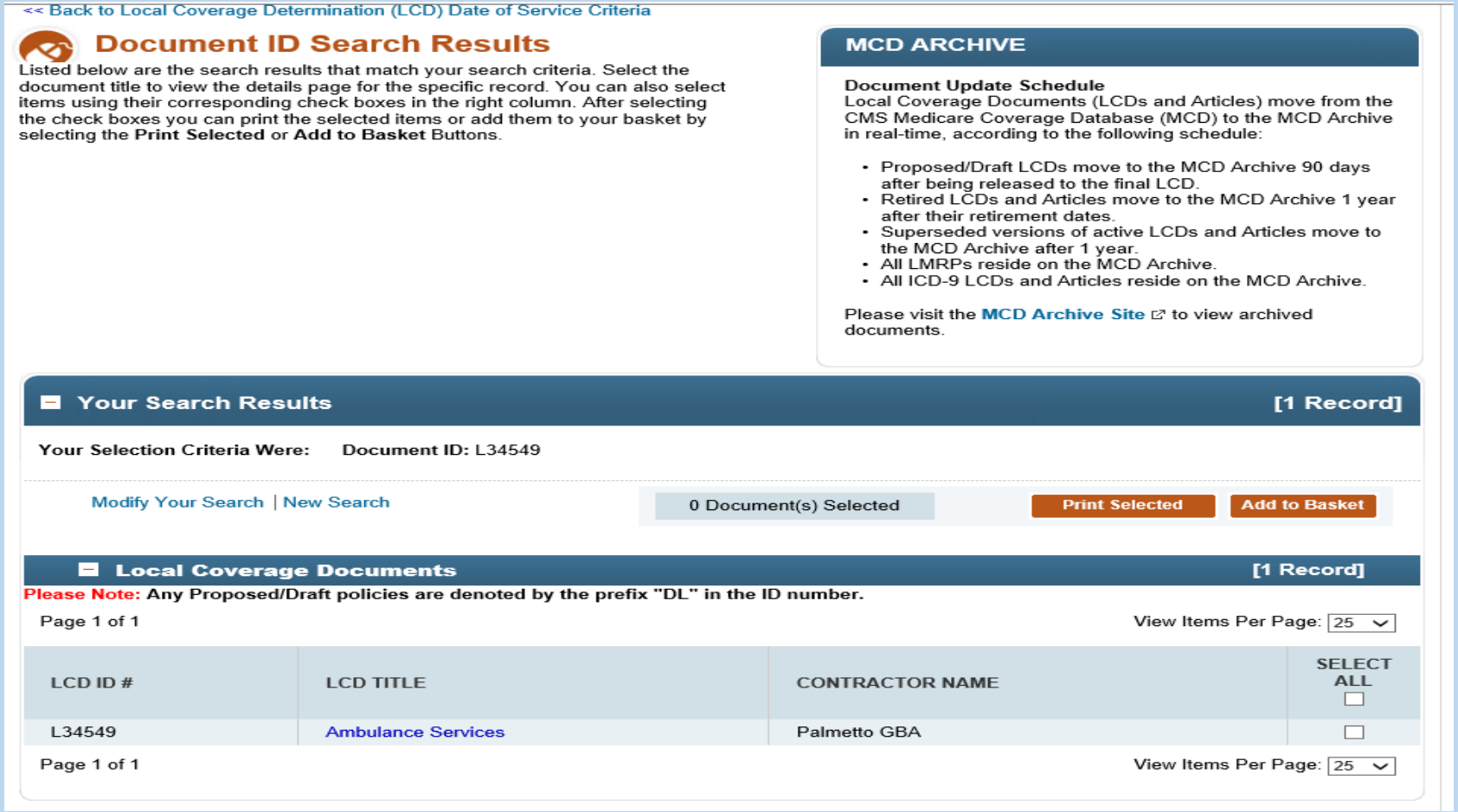


Advanced Search by Document ID
LCD - L34549

- In this function, if the Date of Service text box remains blank, the most recent document version displays on the query results page.



Advanced Search By Document ID
LCD L34549- Query Result Page



<< Back to Local Coverage Determination (LCD) Date of Service Criteria

Document ID Search Results

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Your Search Results [1 Record]

Your Selection Criteria Were: **Document ID:** L34549

Modify Your Search | New Search

0 Document(s) Selected | Print Selected | Add to Basket

Local Coverage Documents [1 Record]

Please Note: Any Proposed/Draft policies are denoted by the prefix "DL" in the ID number.

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LCD ID #	LCD TITLE	CONTRACTOR NAME	SELECT ALL
L34549	Ambulance Services	Palmetto GBA	

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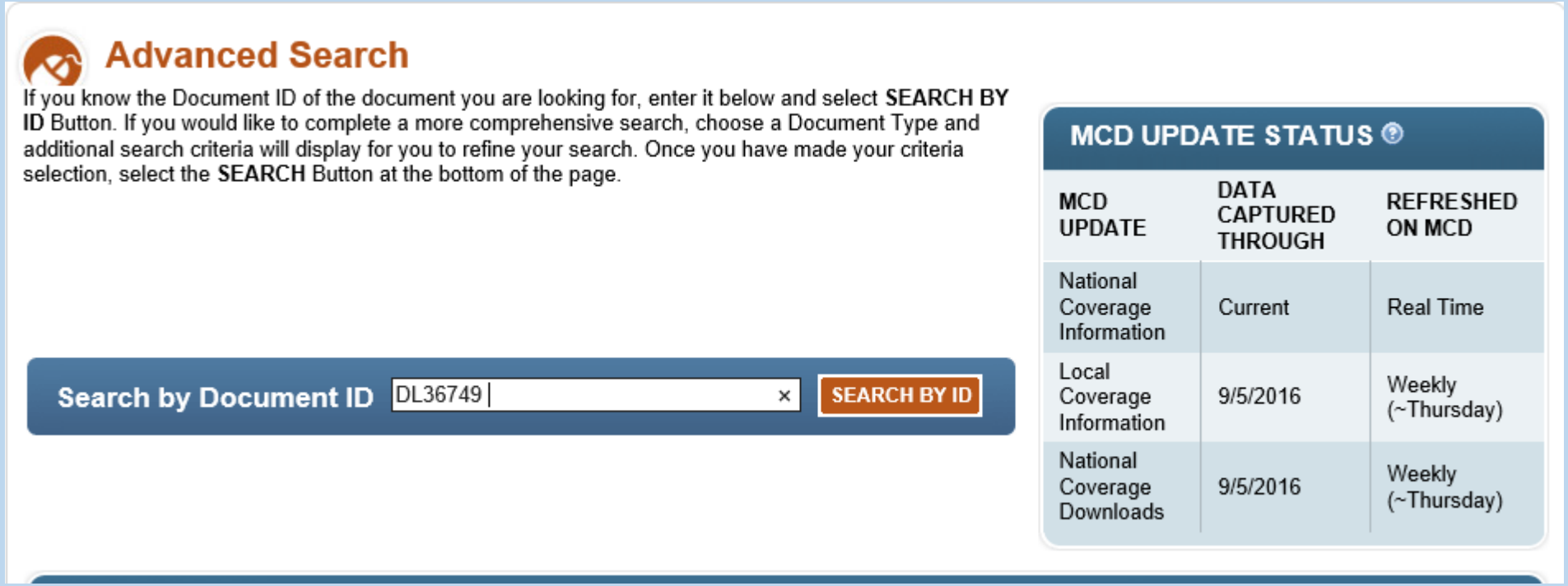
Advanced Search By Document ID
Proposed LCD DL36749



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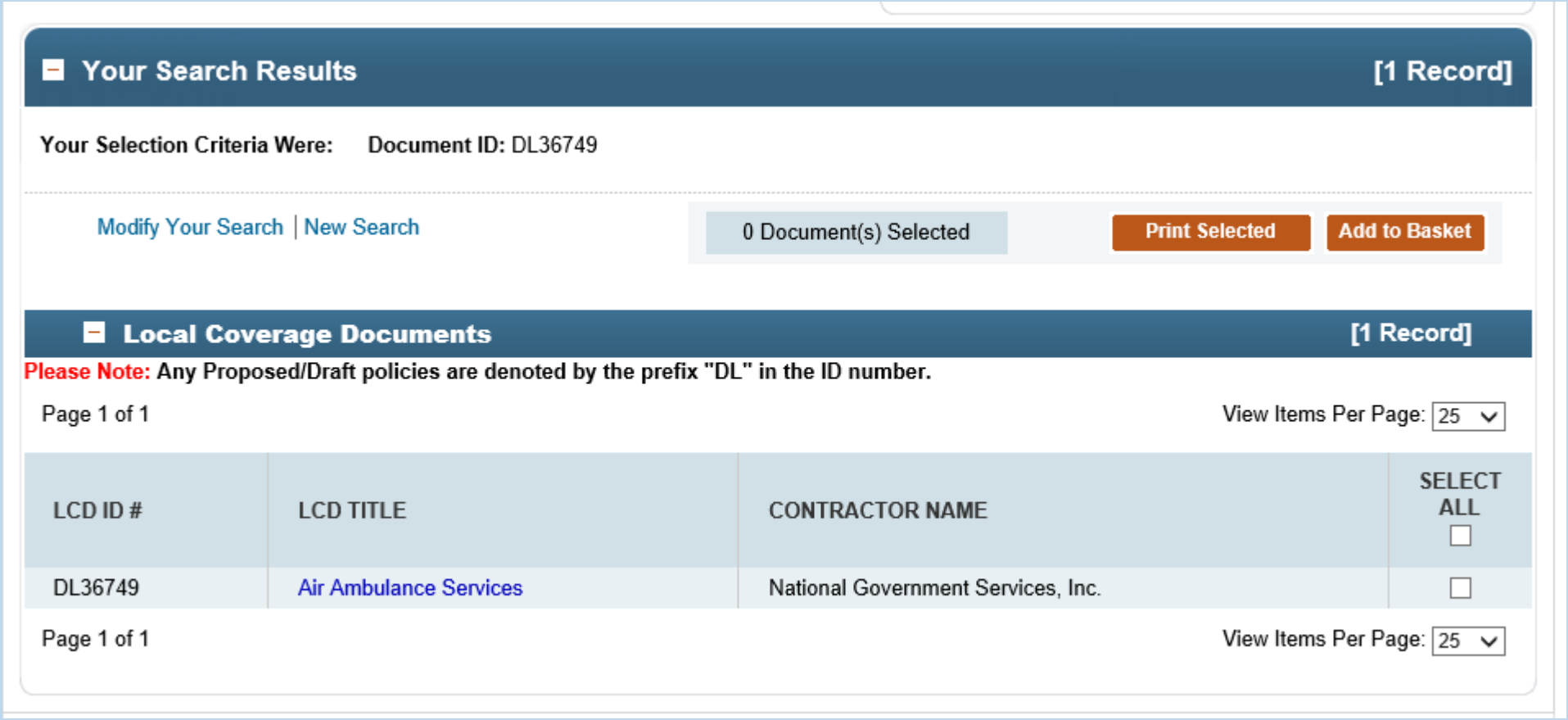
Proposed LCD DL36749 Query Results Page



Your Search Results [1 Record]

Your Selection Criteria Were: **Document ID:** DL36749

Modify Your Search | New Search

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Local Coverage Documents [1 Record]

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LCD ID #	LCD TITLE	CONTRACTOR NAME	SELECT ALL
DL36749	Air Ambulance Services	National Government Services, Inc.	

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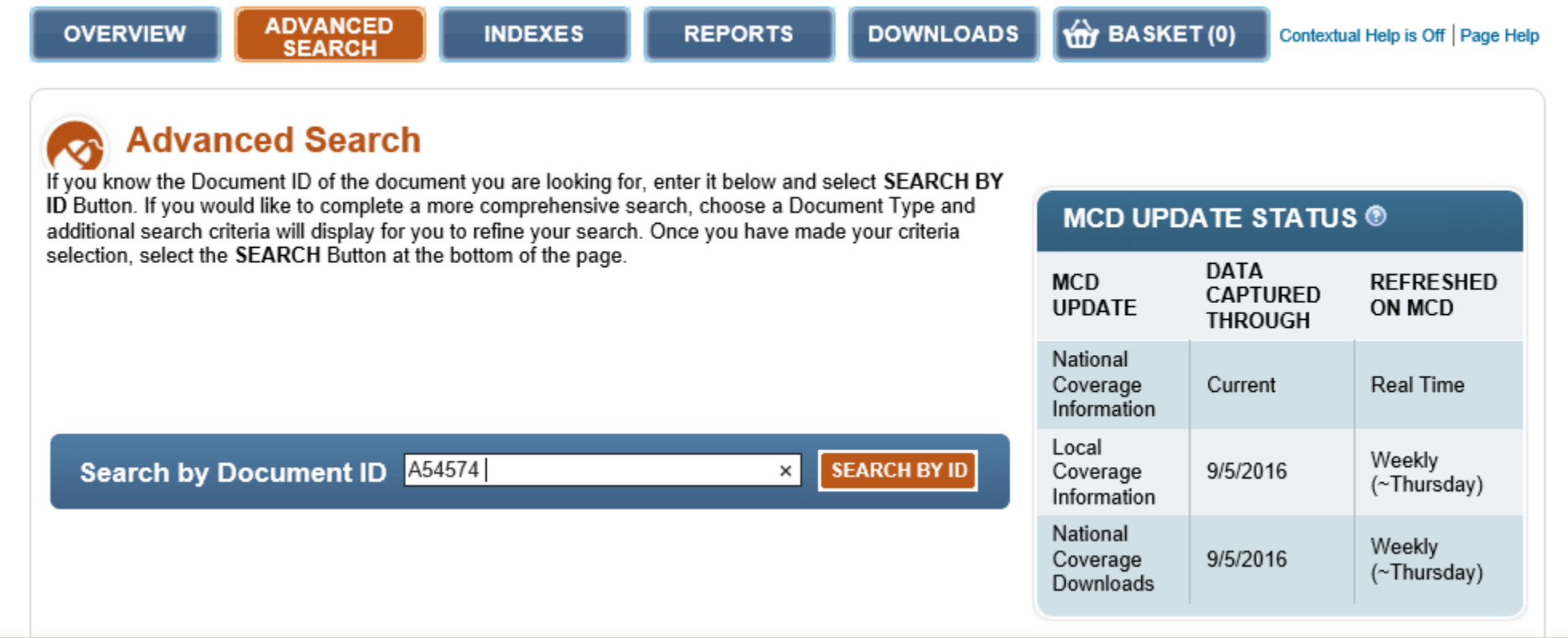
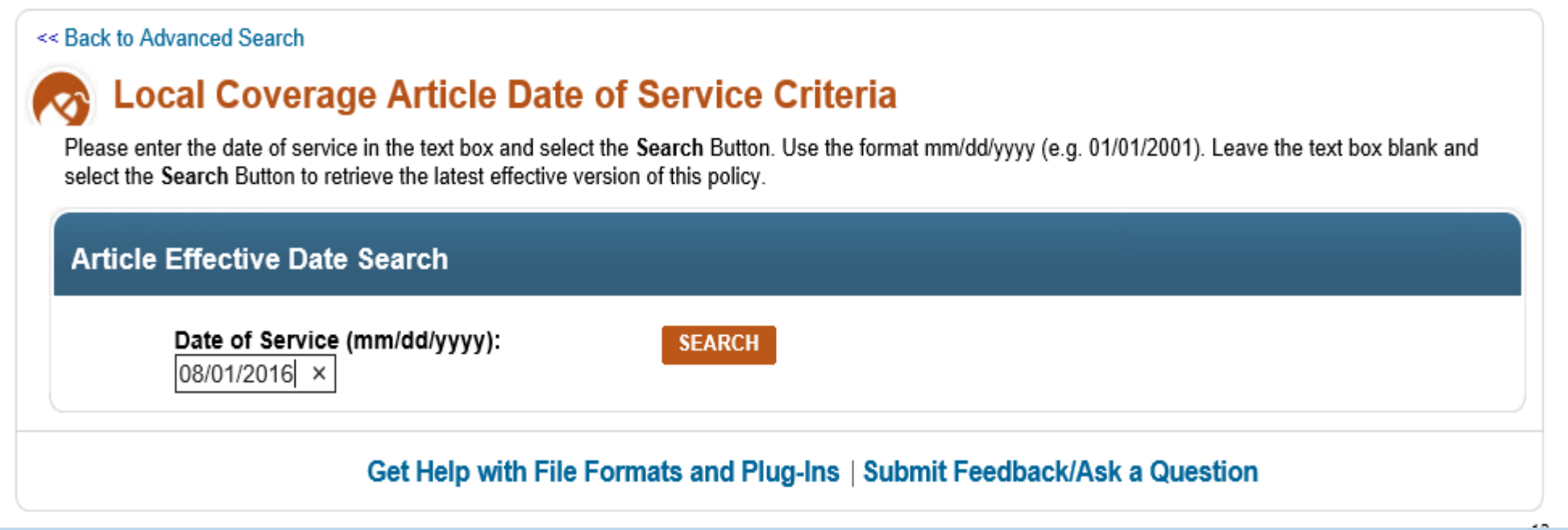
Advanced Search By Document ID
Article A54574



Advanced Search By Document ID
Article A54574 Cont.



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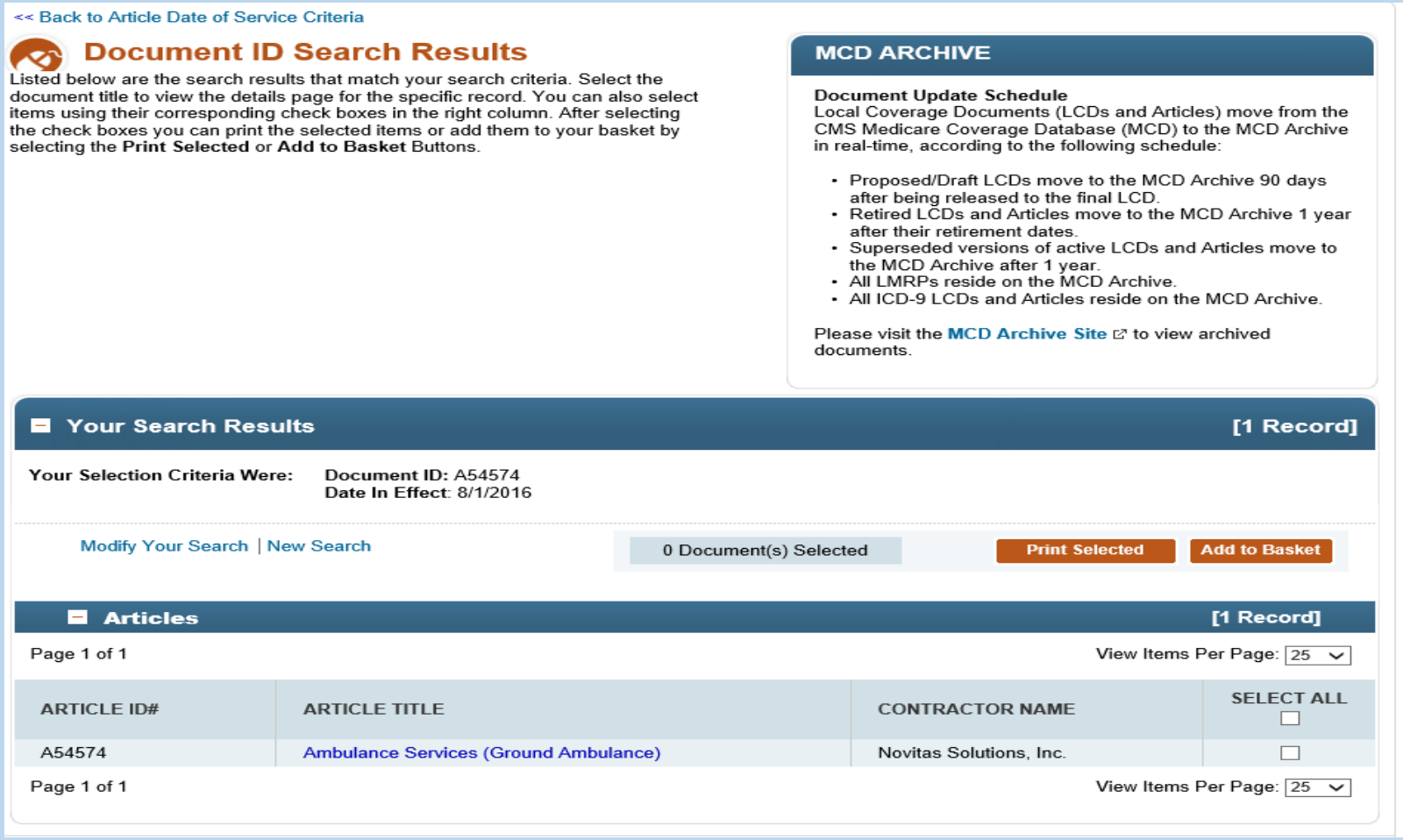
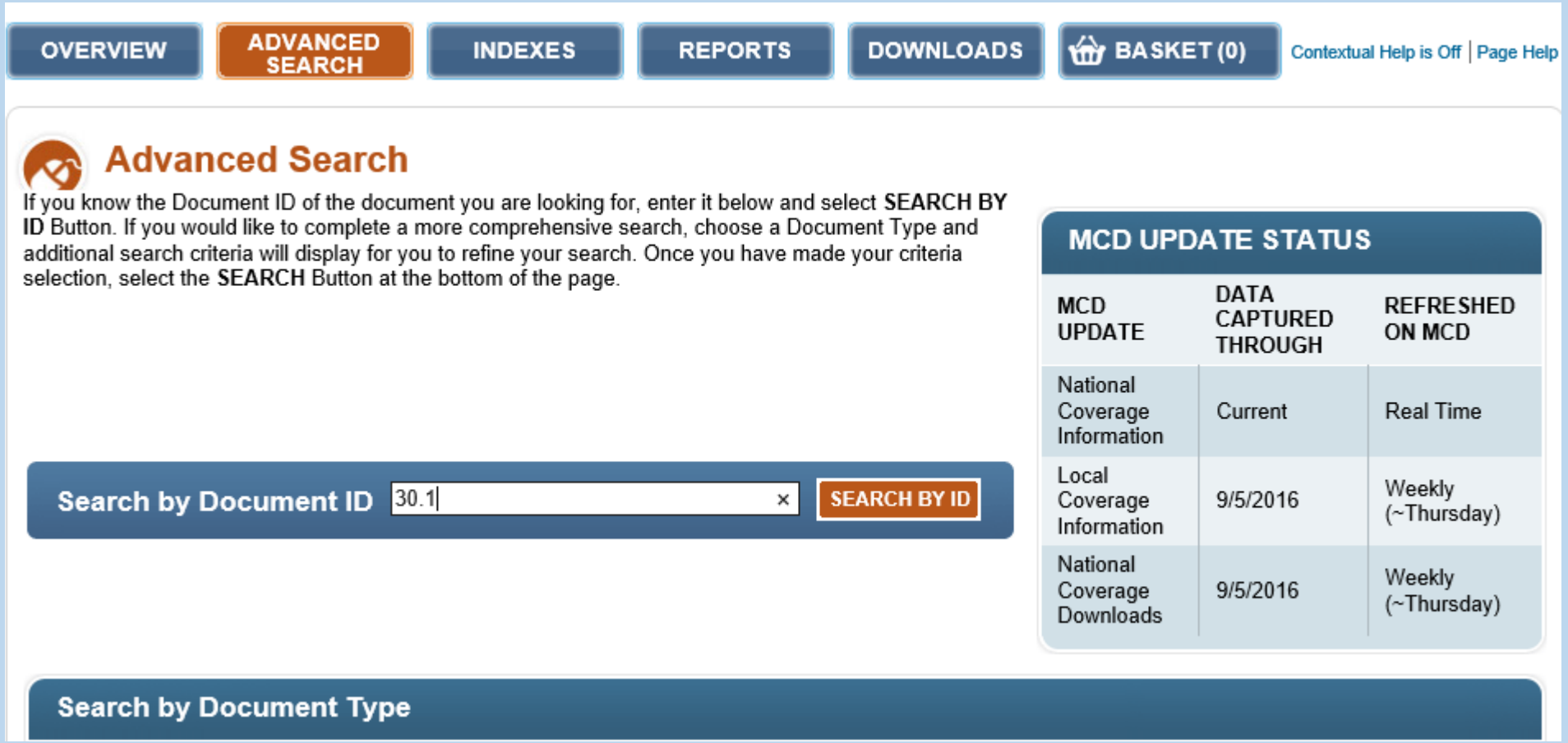
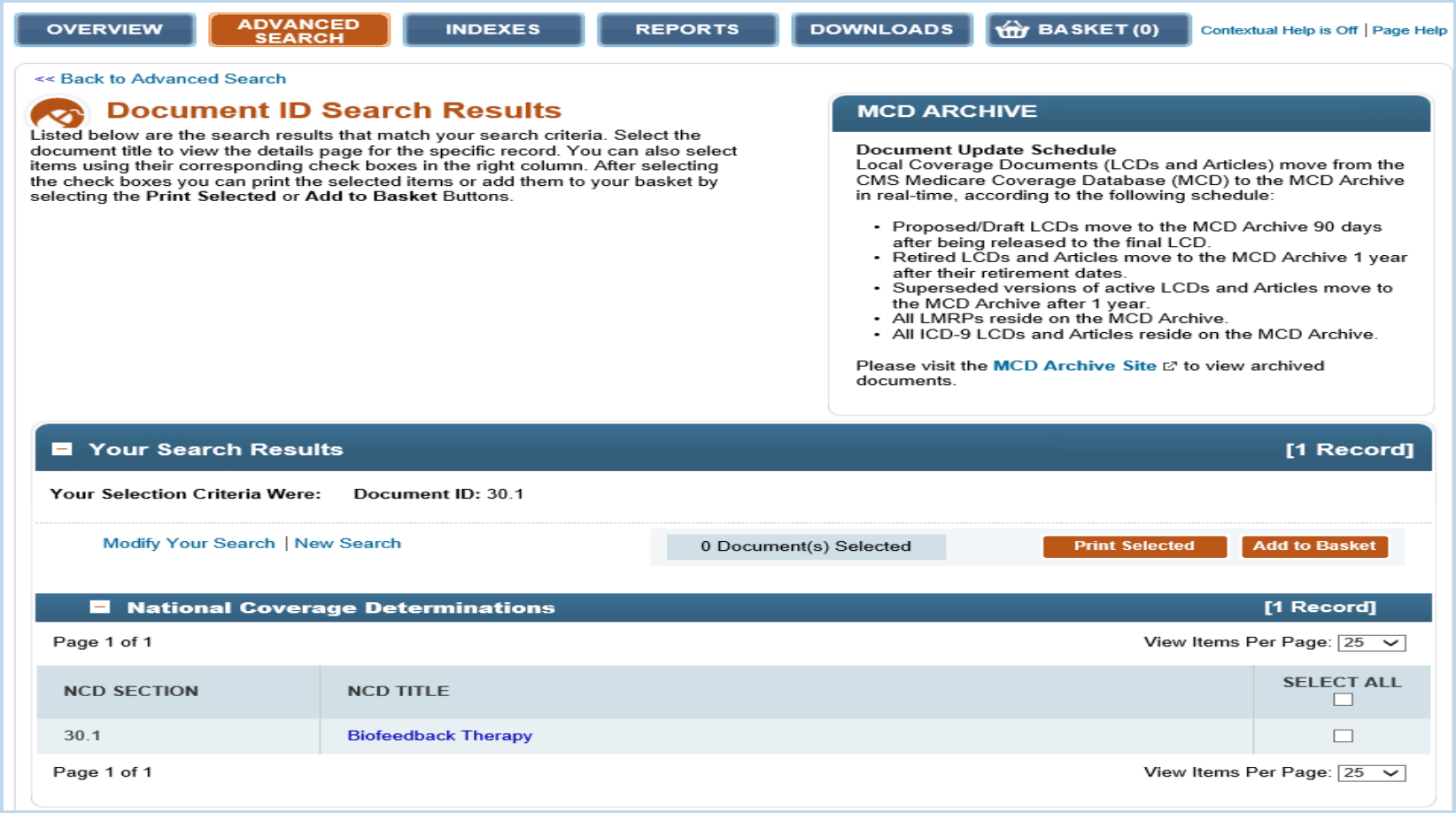
Article A54574



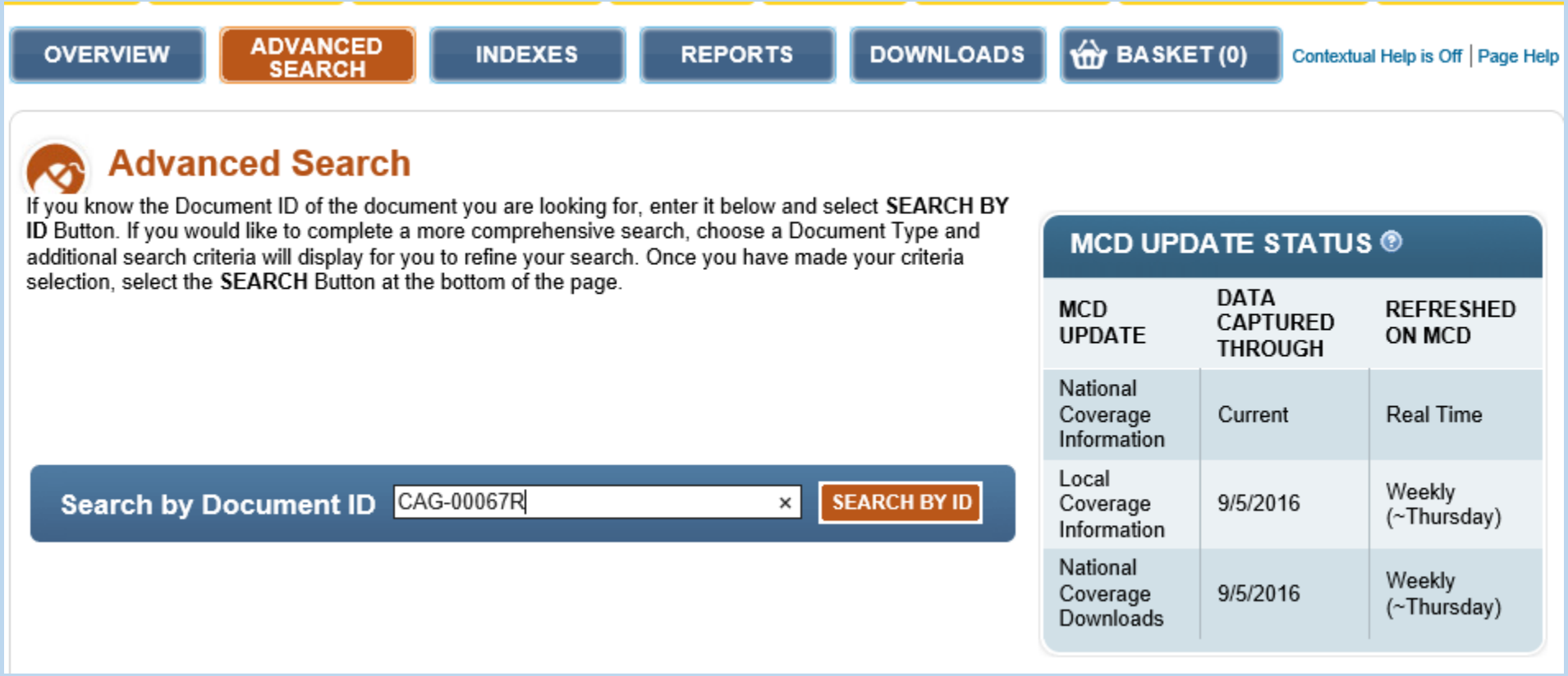
Advanced Search by Document Type
NCD 30.1



Advanced Search By Document ID
NCD ID 30.1 Query Results Page



Advanced Search By Document ID
Search by NCA ID: CAG-00067R



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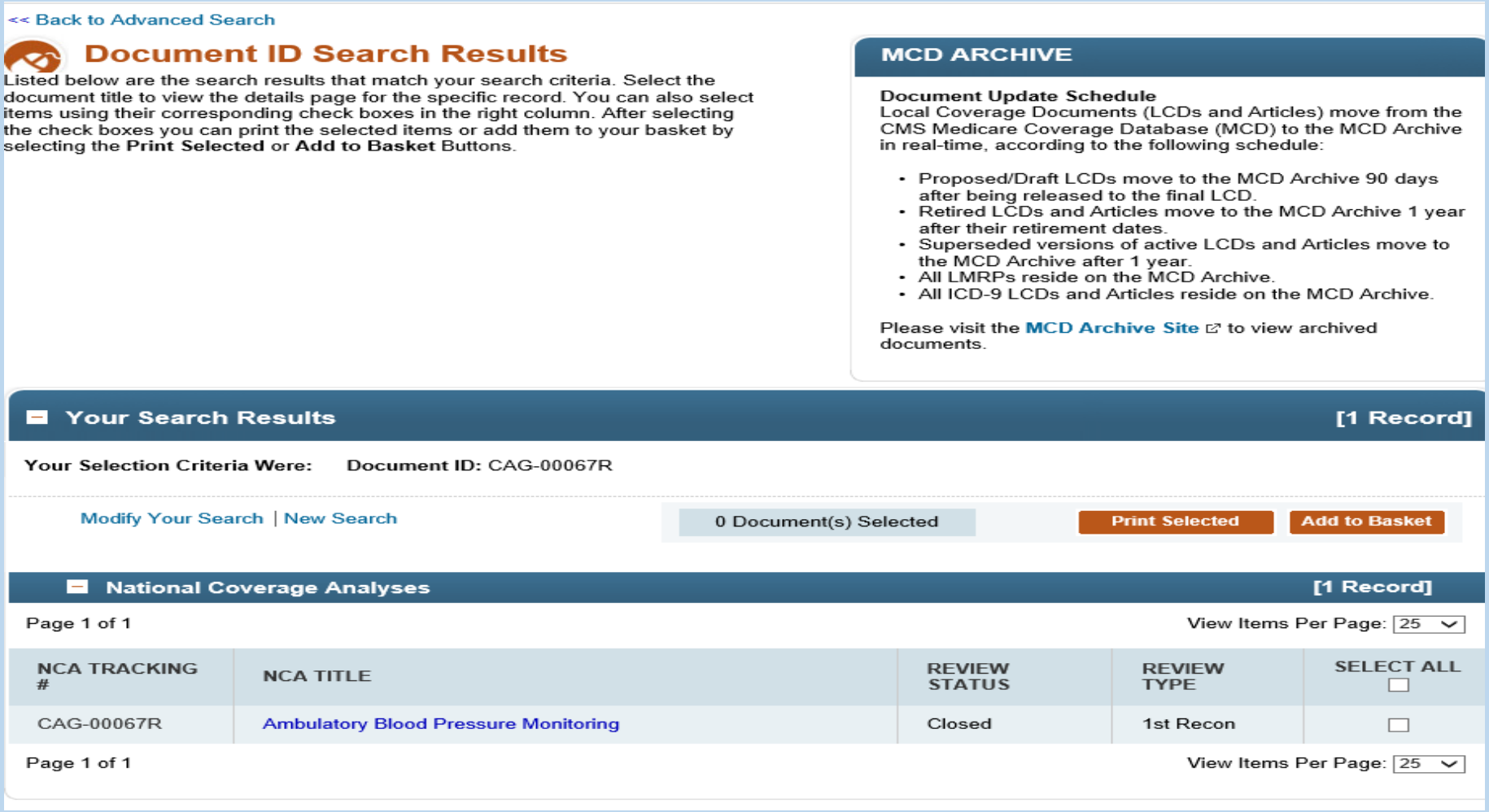
NCA ID: CAG-00067R Query Results Page



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Your Search Results [1 Record]

Your Selection Criteria Were: **Document ID:** CAG-00067R

Modify Your Search | New Search

0 Document(s) Selected | Print Selected | Add to Basket

National Coverage Analyses [1 Record]

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NCA TRACKING #	NCA TITLE	REVIEW STATUS	REVIEW TYPE	SELECT ALL
CAG-00067R	Ambulatory Blood Pressure Monitoring	Closed	1st Recon	

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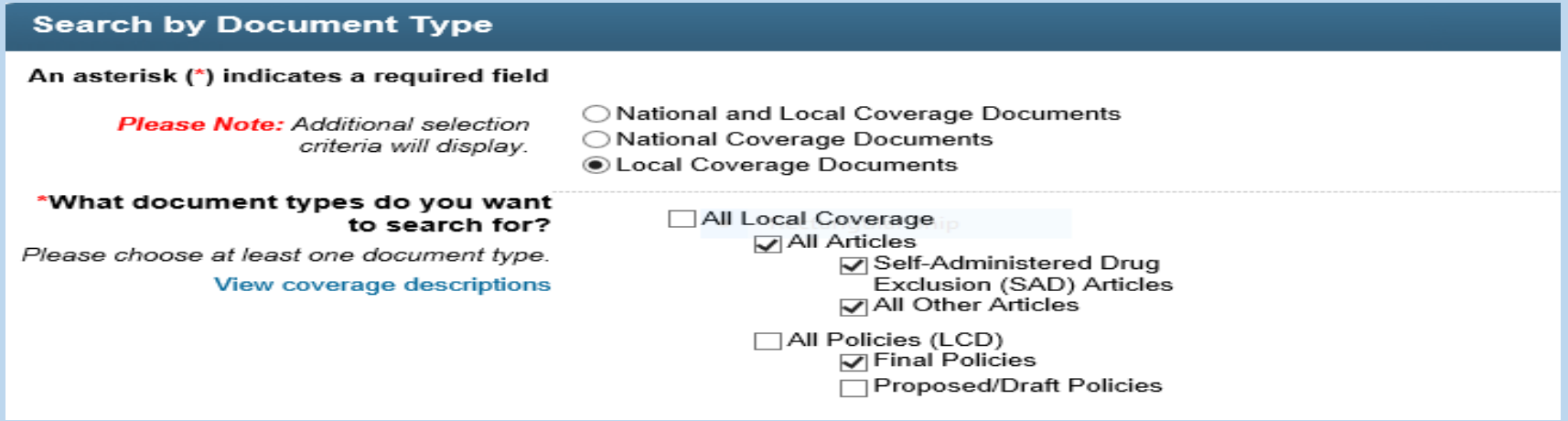
Part II - Advanced Search By Document Type

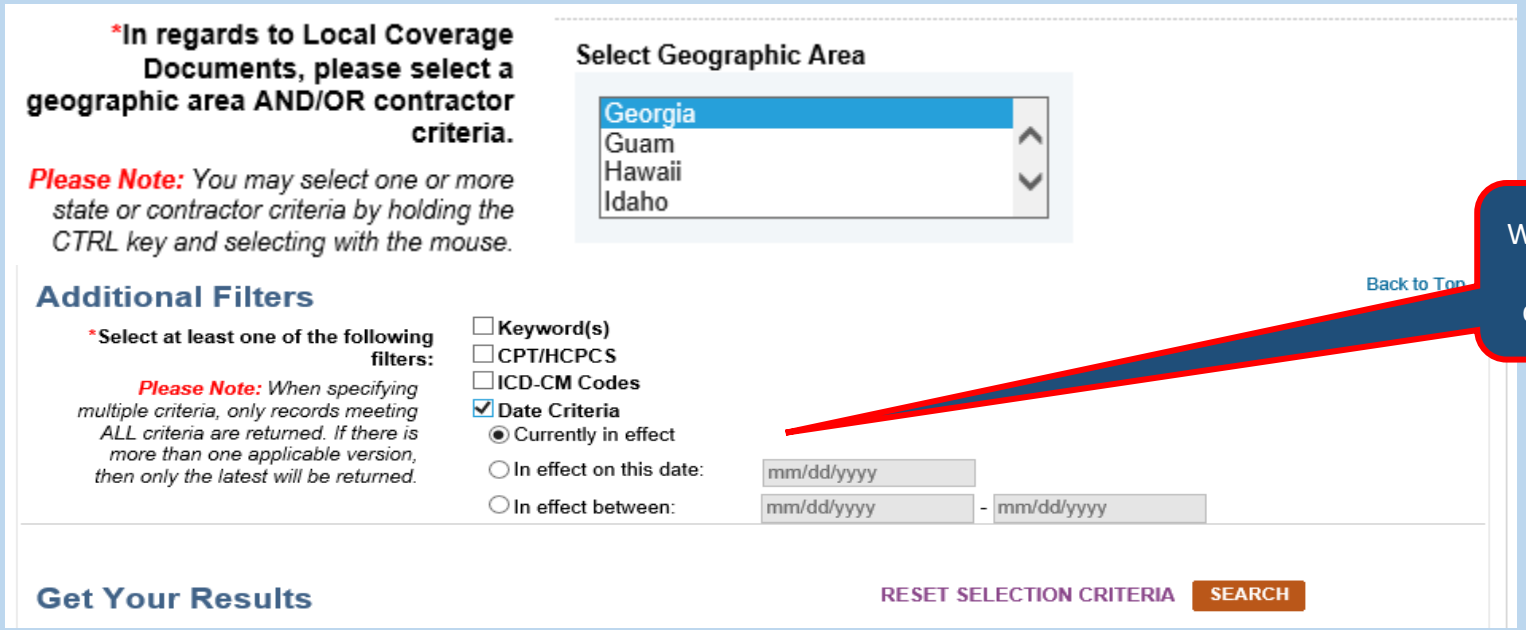
Advanced Search By Document Type

- **Example One**: I am a new general practice physician in Georgia who is taking new Medicare patients. I want to see all the currently in effect LCDs and Articles in Georgia and then choose which to print or email to myself.
- **Objectives:** Learn to query for Active LCDs and Articles; Understand How to Use the Query Results page functions including the "View Per Page" feature and the Basket features.
- Document Type - Select: Local Coverage Documents: All Articles and Final Policies



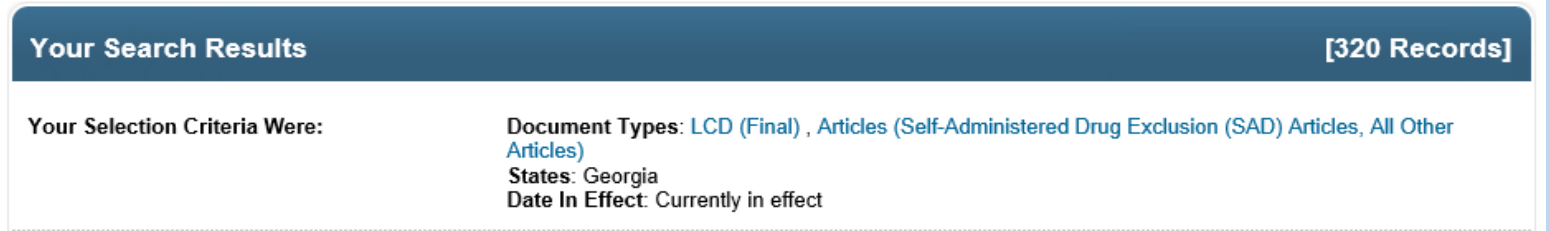
Advanced Search: By Document Type Ex. #1

- Geographic Area - Select: Georgia
- Additional Filters – Date: Currently in effect is the default
- Click the SEARCH Button to obtain your results



Adv Search: By Document Type Ex. #1

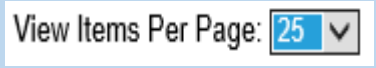
- Review Your Selection Criteria on the Results Page which also provides the total number of documents returned for your search.



- The list of Articles display first; then the list of LCDs. Each list displays the number of records found for the query. To view a document, lick on the LCD ID or Article ID.

- Select those articles or LCDs that you want to be added to the Basket for future review, email or printing by clicking the last column (Select All).

- Note that results will include Part A, Part B, DME and HHH documents.

- Change the number of results per section by clicking on the 

dropdown list. Choices are 10, 25, 50 and 100 for each Section. The MCD defaults to 25 LCDs and 25 Articles per page.

Adv Search: By Document Type Ex. #1

Your Search Results [321 Records]

Your Selection Criteria Were:

Document Types: LCD (Final) , Articles (Self-Administered Drug Exclusion (SAD) Articles, All Other Articles)
States: Georgia
Date In Effect: Currently in effect

Modify Your Search | New Search

0 Document(s) Selected | Print Selected | Add to Basket

Expand All | Collapse All

Articles [115 Records]

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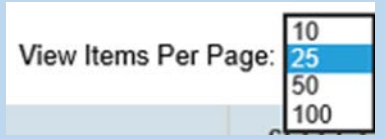
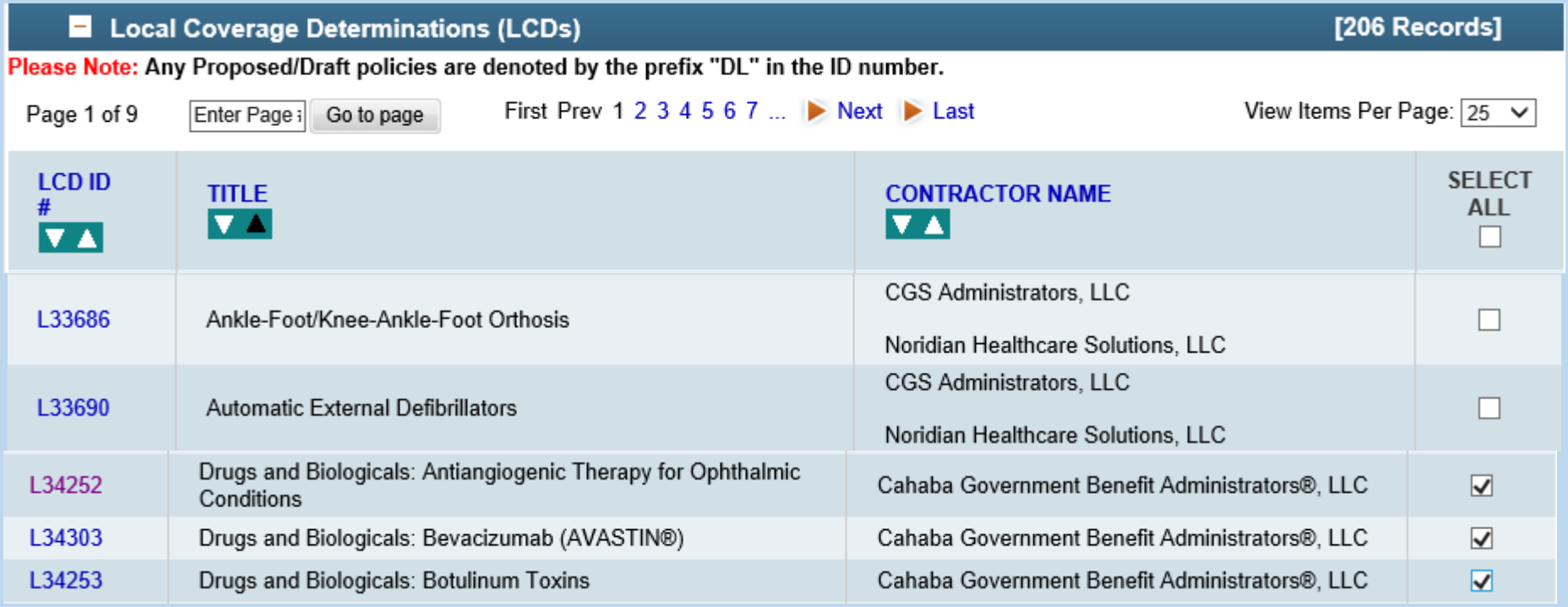


ARTICLE ID#	TITLE	CONTRACTOR NAME	SELECT ALL
A52457	Ankle-Foot/Knee-Ankle-Foot Orthoses - Policy Article	CGS Administrators, LLC Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	☐
A52458	Automatic External Defibrillators - Policy Article	CGS Administrators, LLC Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	☐
A52687	Billing - Submission of Claims for Compounded Medications for Infusion Pumps for Treatment of Chronic Intractable Pain	Cahaba Government Benefit Administrators®, LLC	☐
A52688	Billing and Coding - Clarification of the Proper Use and Billing of Adenosine Injections	Cahaba Government Benefit Administrators®, LLC	☐
A52689	Billing and Coding - Removal of Impacted Cerumen and Evaluation and Management Services	Cahaba Government Benefit Administrators®, LLC	☐

Adv Search: By Document Type Ex. #1

- Click on the LCD ID to open a specific LCD. The detail page for L34252 displays in the next slide.



Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs) [206 Records]

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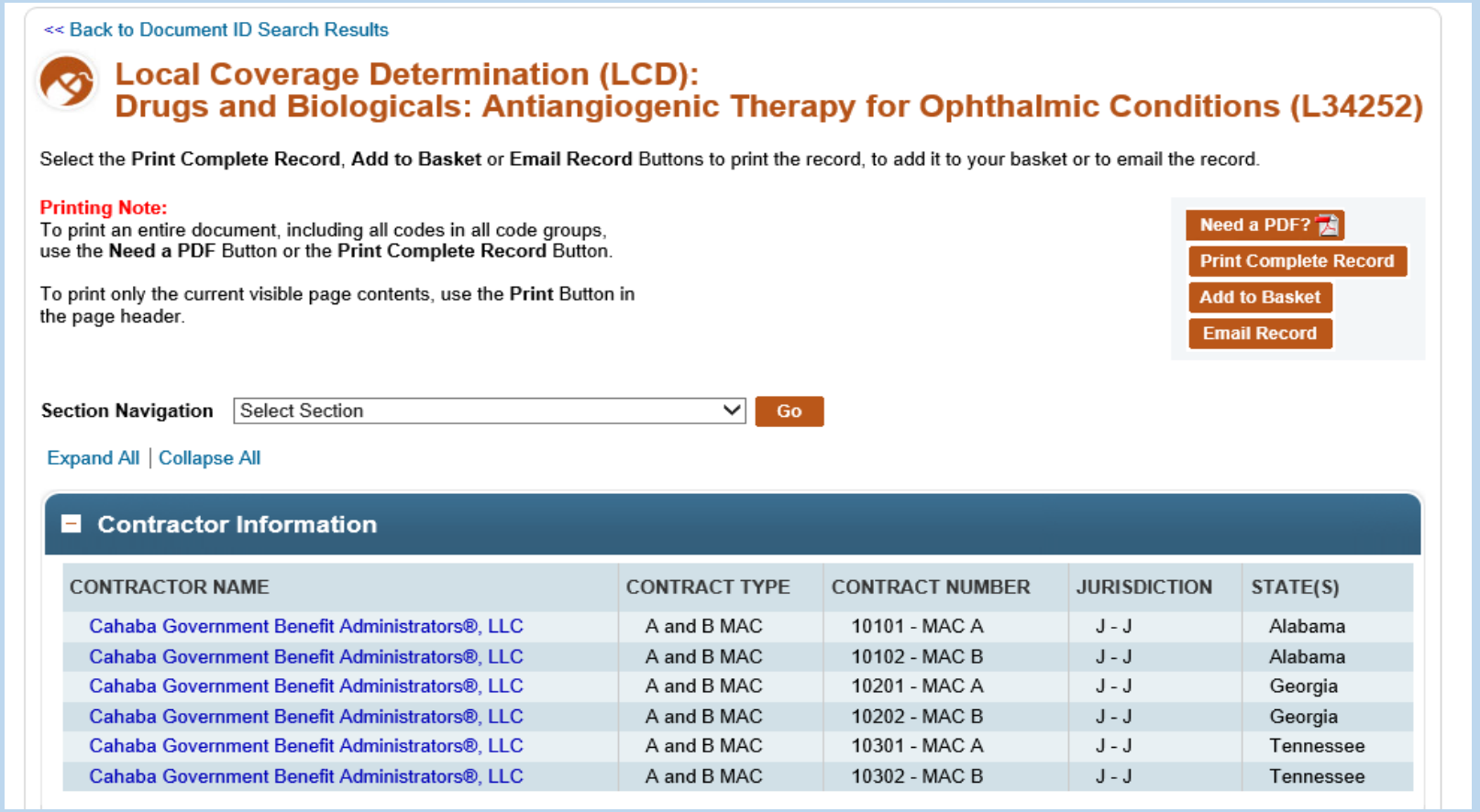
LCD ID #	TITLE	CONTRACTOR NAME	SELECT ALL
L33686	Ankle-Foot/Knee-Ankle-Foot Orthosis	CGS Administrators, LLC Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	☐
L33690	Automatic External Defibrillators	CGS Administrators, LLC Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	☐
L34252	Drugs and Biologicals: Antiangiogenic Therapy for Ophthalmic Conditions	Cahaba Government Benefit Administrators®, LLC	☑
L34303	Drugs and Biologicals: Bevacizumab (AVASTIN®)	Cahaba Government Benefit Administrators®, LLC	☑
L34253	Drugs and Biologicals: Botulinum Toxins	Cahaba Government Benefit Administrators®, LLC	☑

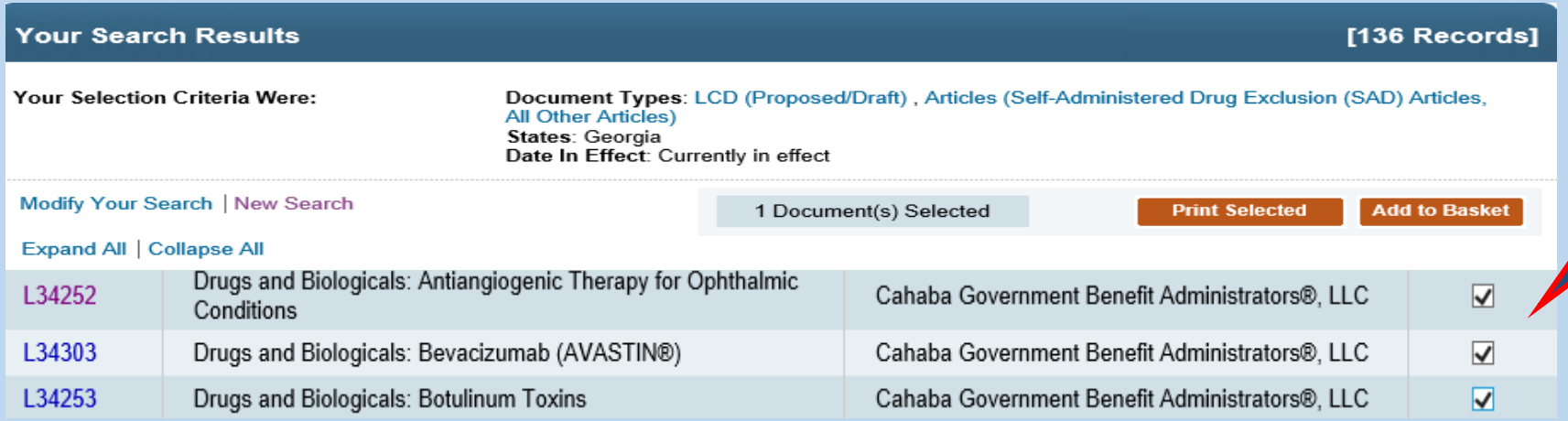
Adv Search: By Document Type Ex. #1

- To see this view, the user clicked on L34252 in the Document ID Column on the Query Results page. This is the first section of the LCD. On the Live MCD, the user would scroll through the document to see the entire LCD.



Adv Search: By Document Type Ex. #1

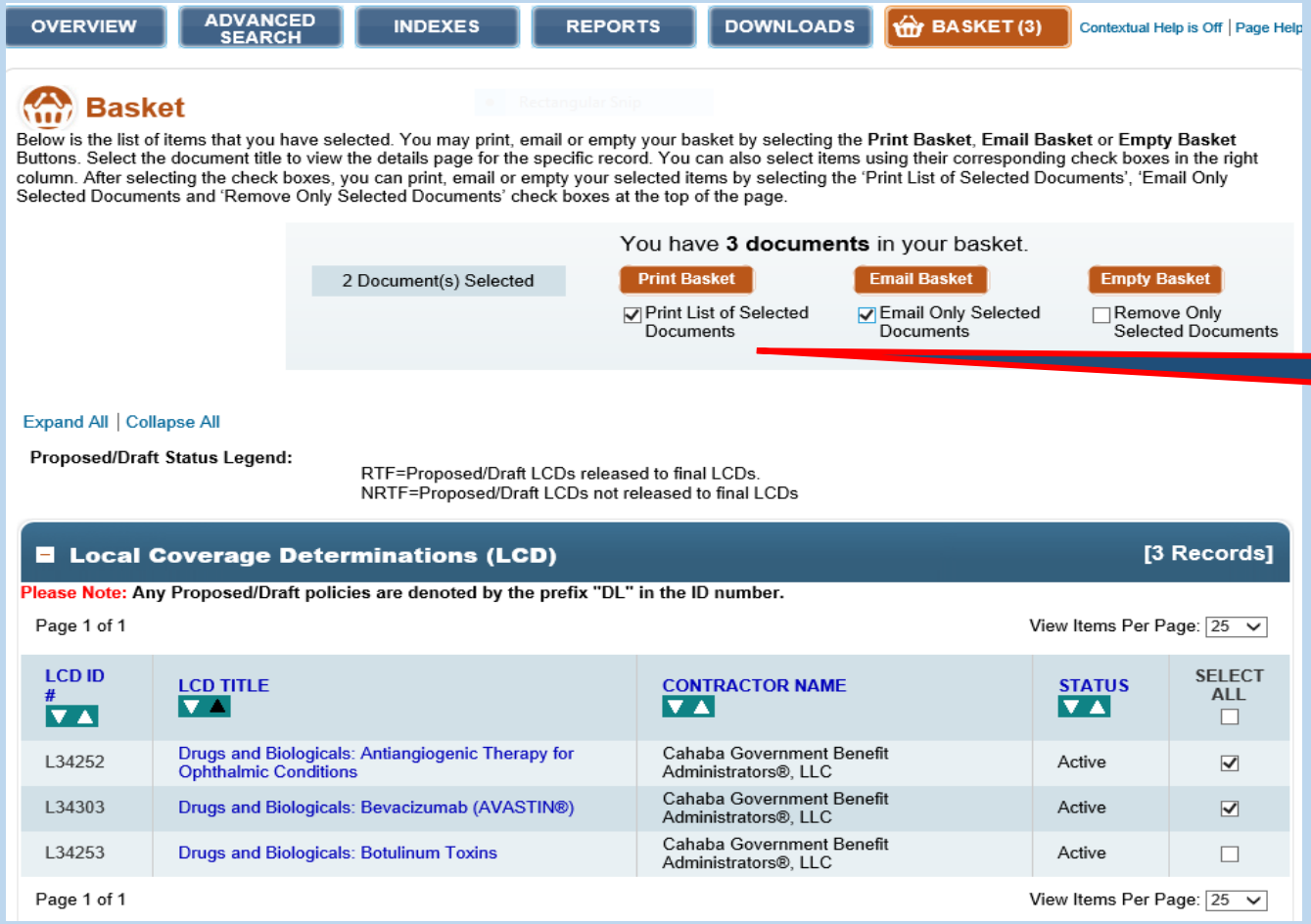
- In this case, the user decided to add three (3) LCDs to their Basket.
- When selecting documents to add to the Basket or for Printing later, those selections must be completed on each individual page.



While on the Results page, click on the BASKET (3) Tab to view all documents saved for further review, email or printing.

Advanced Search by Document Type Ex. #1

❖ This is the Basket Page. From here, the user can print, email or review the selected documents. In this scenario, the user has decided to email two (2) LCDs and print the list of documents.



The Print Basket feature only prints the list of documents in the basket. Users cannot print actual documents from here.

Advanced Search by Document Type Ex. #1

- Click on the Print Basket Button

or the Email Basket Button

- Selecting the Email Basket Icon sends the user to a new page.

Local Coverage Determinations (LCD) [3 Records]

Please Note: Any Proposed/Draft policies are denoted by the prefix "DL" in the ID number.

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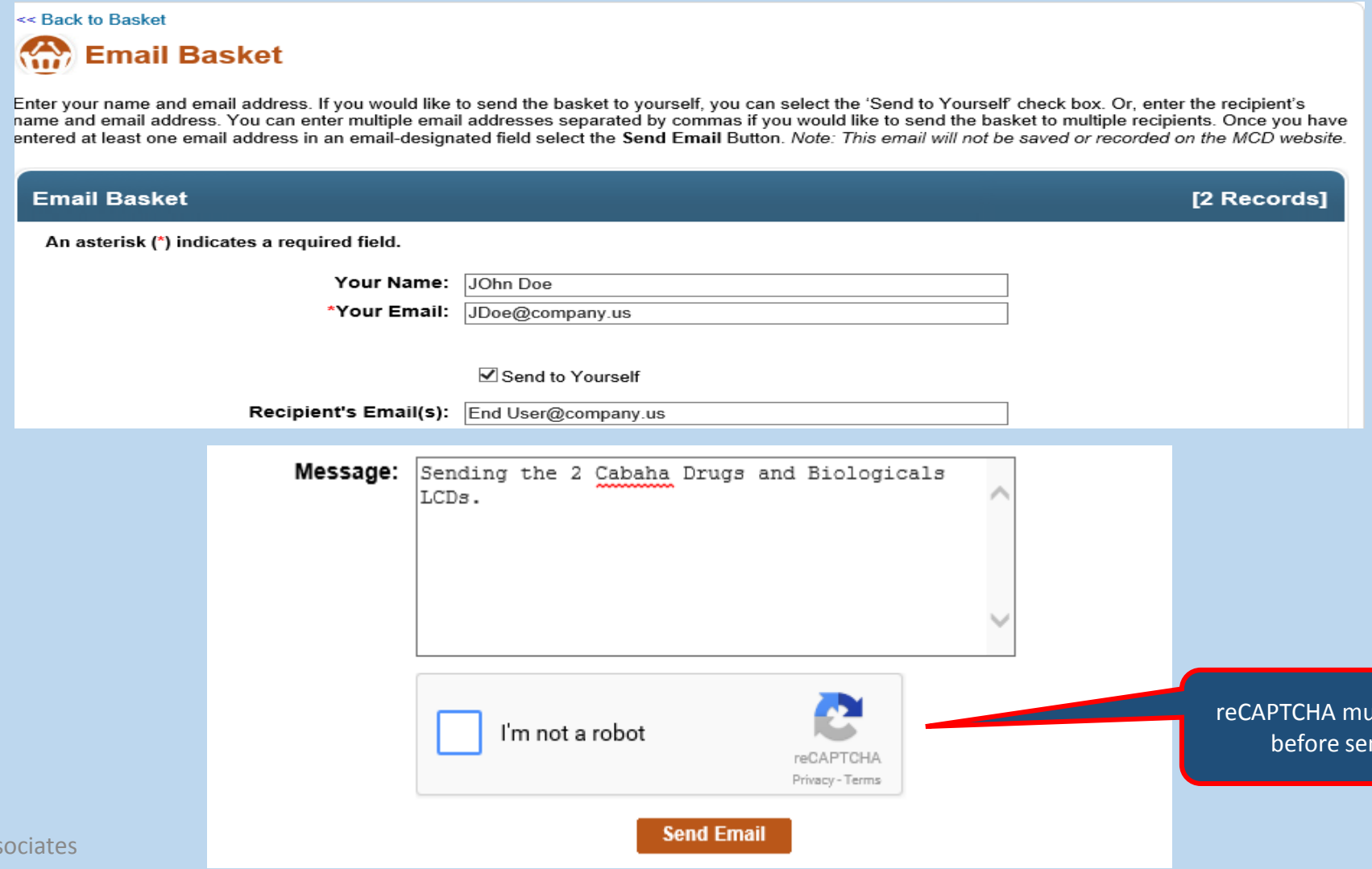
LCD ID #	LCD TITLE	CONTRACTOR NAME	STATUS	SELECT ALL
L34252	Drugs and Biologicals: Antiangiogenic Therapy for Ophthalmic Conditions	Cahaba Government Benefit Administrators®, LLC	Active	☑
L34303	Drugs and Biologicals: Bevacizumab (AVASTIN®)	Cahaba Government Benefit Administrators®, LLC	Active	☑
L34253	Drugs and Biologicals: Botulinum Toxins	Cahaba Government Benefit Administrators®, LLC	Active	☐

Advanced Search by Document Type Ex. #1

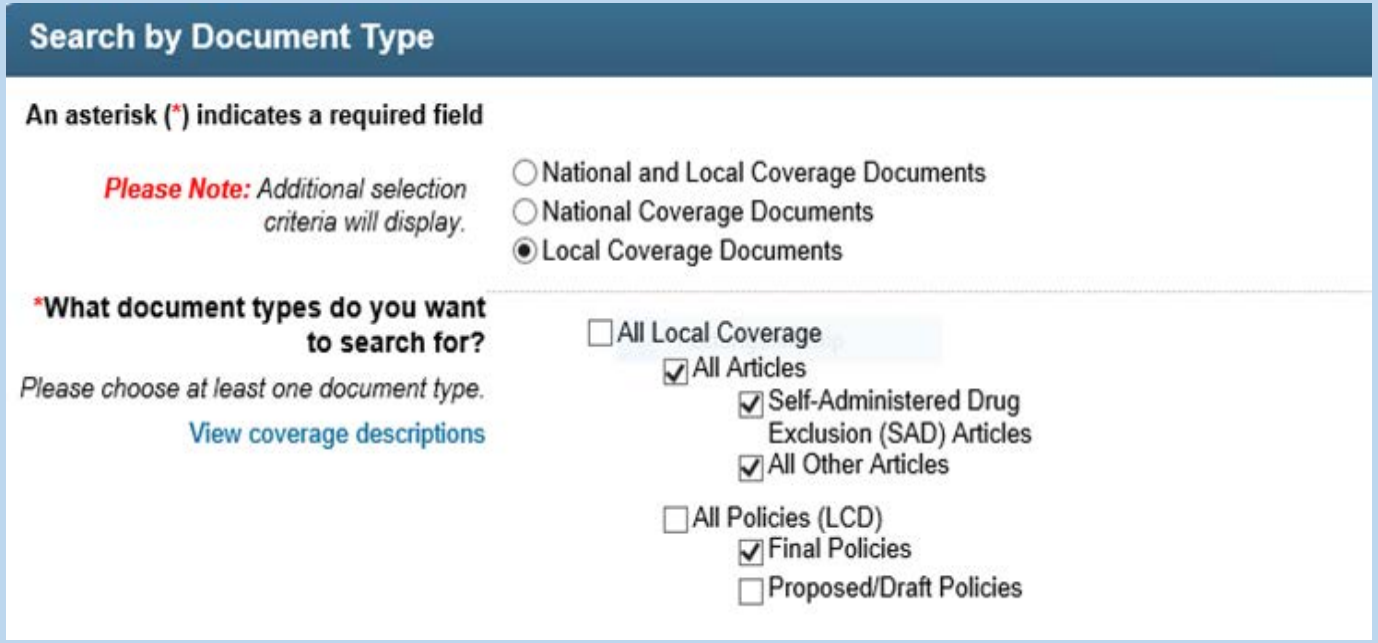
❖ Complete the form and click on the Send Email Button.



reCAPTCHA must be completed before sending Email

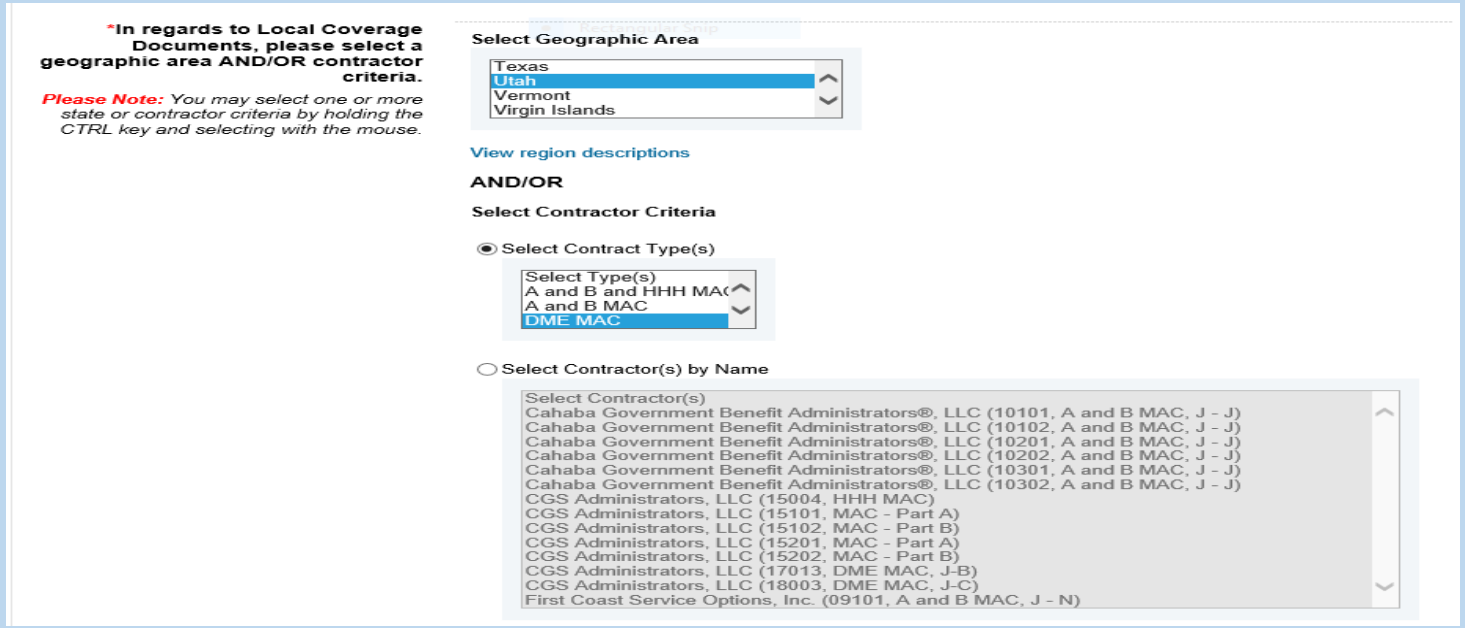
Advanced Search by Document Type: Ex. #2

- **Example 2: I am a DME Provider in Utah. I want to find all currently in effect LCDs and Articles that pertain to my state.**
- **Objectives: Learn to query for Active DME LCDs and Articles; Understand How to Use the Query Results page functions including the "View Per Page" feature and the Select Contract Types Select List.**
- **Document Type - Select: Local Coverage Documents: All Articles and Final Policies**



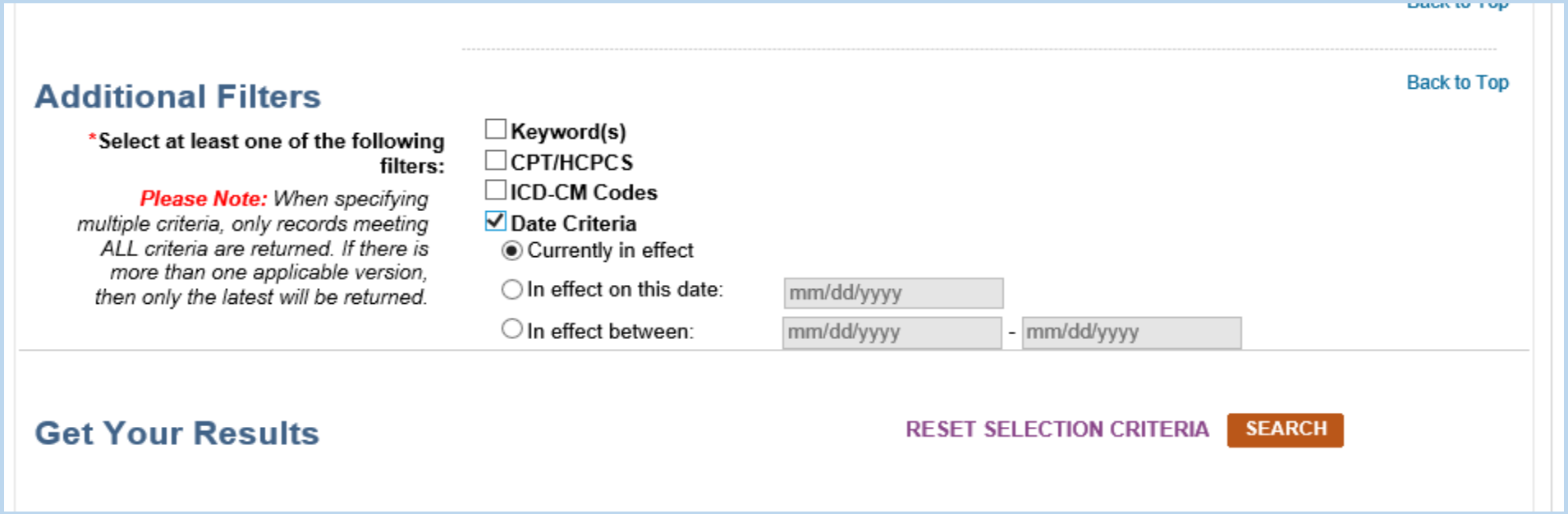
Advanced Search by Document Type: Ex. 2

- Geographic Area - Select: Utah
- In This Case, since the user knows (s)he only wants to see DME LCDs and Articles, the “Select Contractor Criteria” for DME MAC should be chosen to remove all other contract types.



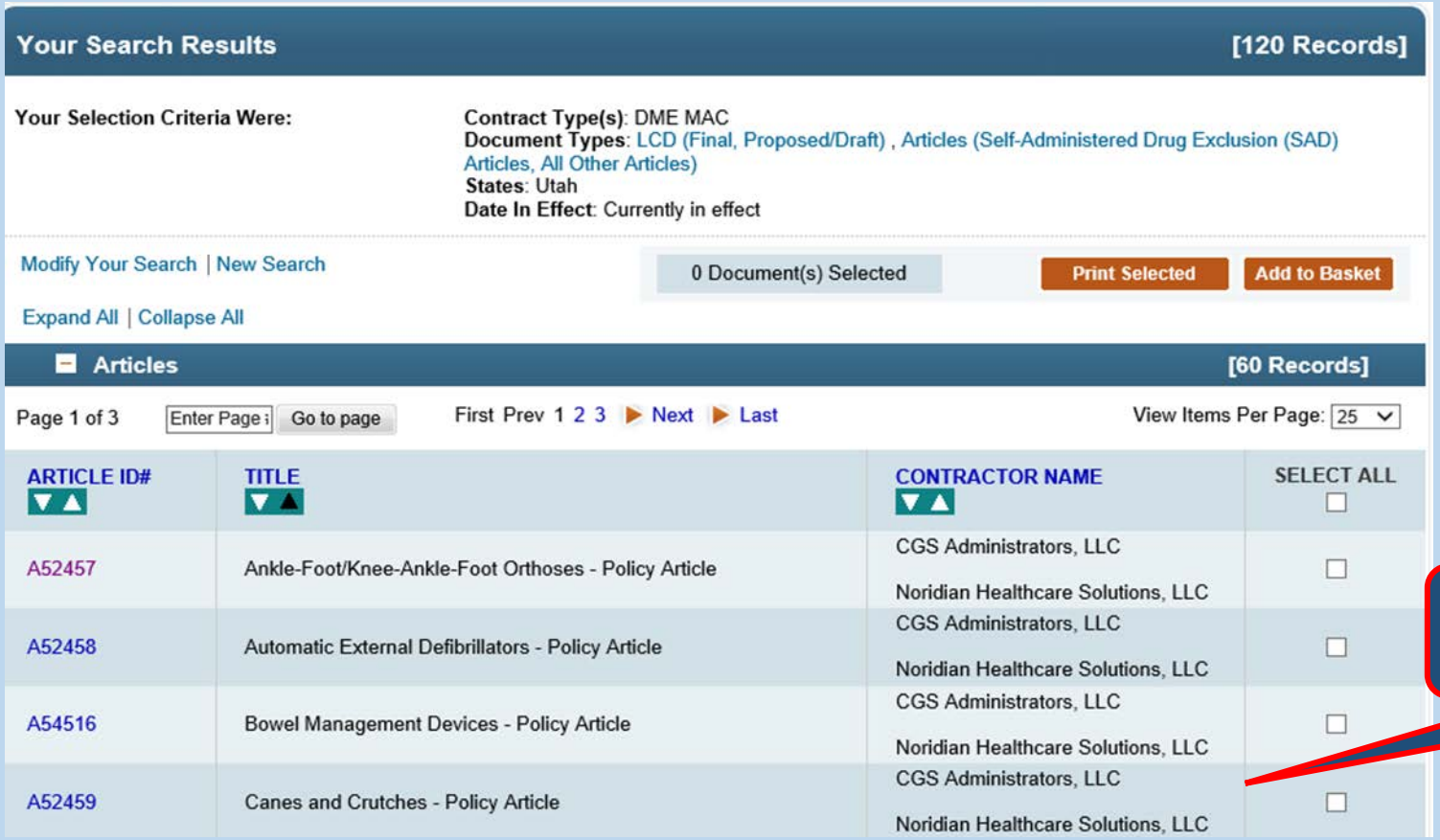
Advanced Search by Document Type: Ex. 2

- Additional Filters – Date: Currently in effect is the default.
- Click the SEARCH Button to obtain your results.



Advanced Search by Document Type: Ex 2 Cont.

❖For this Search, there are 120 total results, and 60 Articles.



Your Search Results [120 Records]

Your Selection Criteria Were:

Contract Type(s): DME MAC
Document Types: LCD (Final, Proposed/Draft) , Articles (Self-Administered Drug Exclusion (SAD) Articles, All Other Articles)
States: Utah
Date In Effect: Currently in effect

Modify Your Search | New Search

0 Document(s) Selected | Print Selected | Add to Basket

Expand All | Collapse All

Articles [60 Records]

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ARTICLE ID#	TITLE	CONTRACTOR NAME	SELECT ALL
A52457	Ankle-Foot/Knee-Ankle-Foot Orthoses - Policy Article	CGS Administrators, LLC Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	☐
A52458	Automatic External Defibrillators - Policy Article	CGS Administrators, LLC Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	☐
A54516	Bowel Management Devices - Policy Article	CGS Administrators, LLC Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	☐
A52459	Canes and Crutches - Policy Article	CGS Administrators, LLC Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	☐

120 Total Records Found

60 Articles

DME LCDs are the same through out the country; and, there are only 2 DME MAC Contractors; so, both contractors are listed on all DME LCDs and Articles.

Advanced Search by Document Type: Ex.2

- The query resulted in sixty (60) LCDs. Adjust the number of documents displaying on a page via the “View Items per Page” feature.

Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs) [60 Records]

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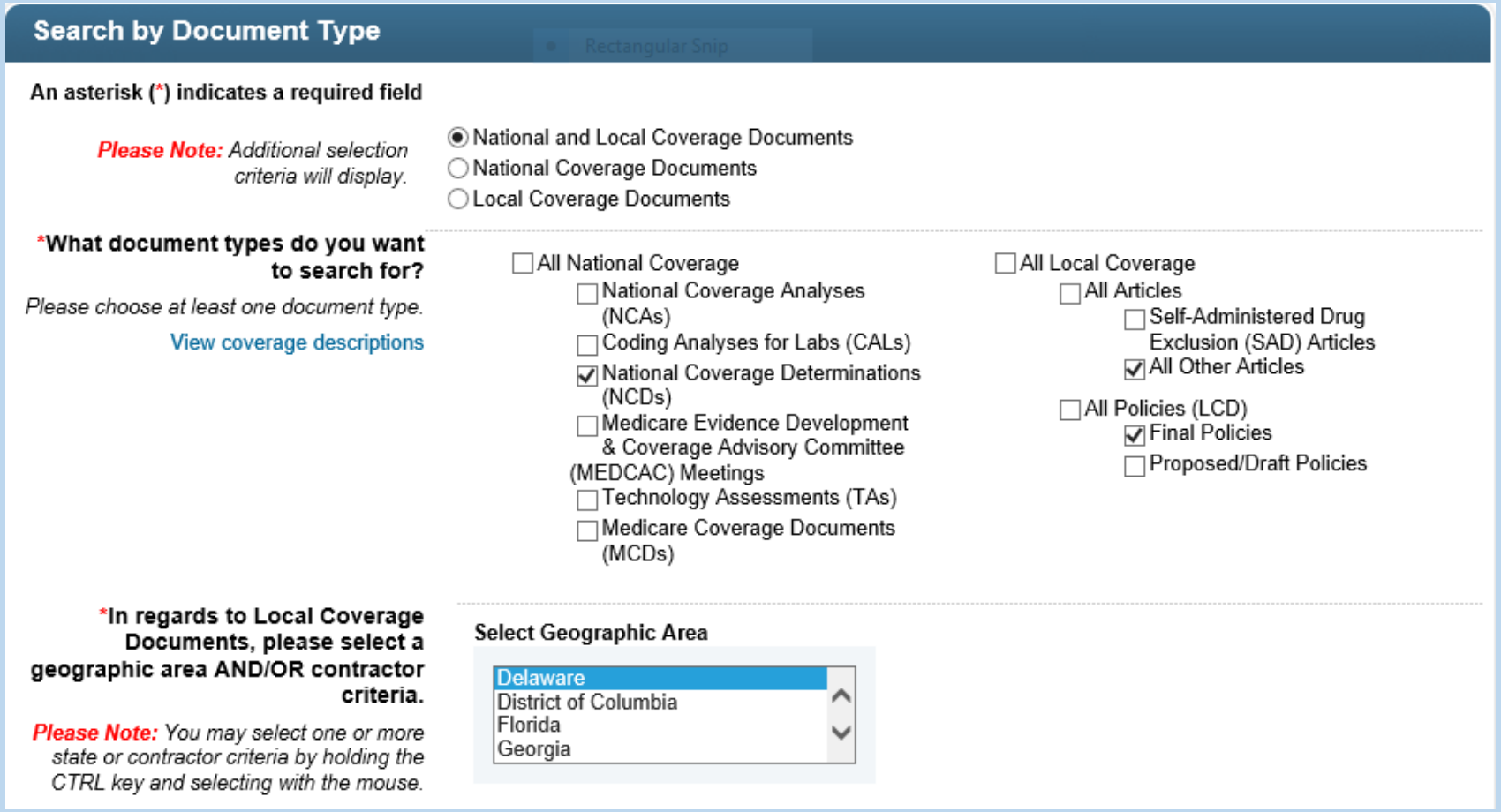
LCD ID #	TITLE	CONTRACTOR NAME	SELECT ALL
L33686	Ankle-Foot/Knee-Ankle-Foot Orthosis	CGS Administrators, LLC Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	☐
L33690	Automatic External Defibrillators	CGS Administrators, LLC Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	☐
L36267	Bowel Management Devices	CGS Administrators, LLC Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	☐
L33733	Canes and Crutches	CGS Administrators, LLC Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	☐

View Items Per Page: 10 25 50 100

Advanced Search by Document Type: Ex. 3

- **Example 3. I am a physician in Delaware. I want to review all current National and Local information on Wheelchairs, so I understand the medical necessity parameters for ordering wheelchairs for my homebound patients.**
- **Objectives: Learn to query for National and Local Coverage Policy for Wheelchairs; and, understand how keywords are highlighted on detail pages and how results are displayed on query results pages. Lastly how to print a document.**
- Select Local and National Coverage Documents, Keyword "Wheelchair" for the entire document and default to "Currently in Effect" for Date.

Advanced Search by Document Type: Ex. 3



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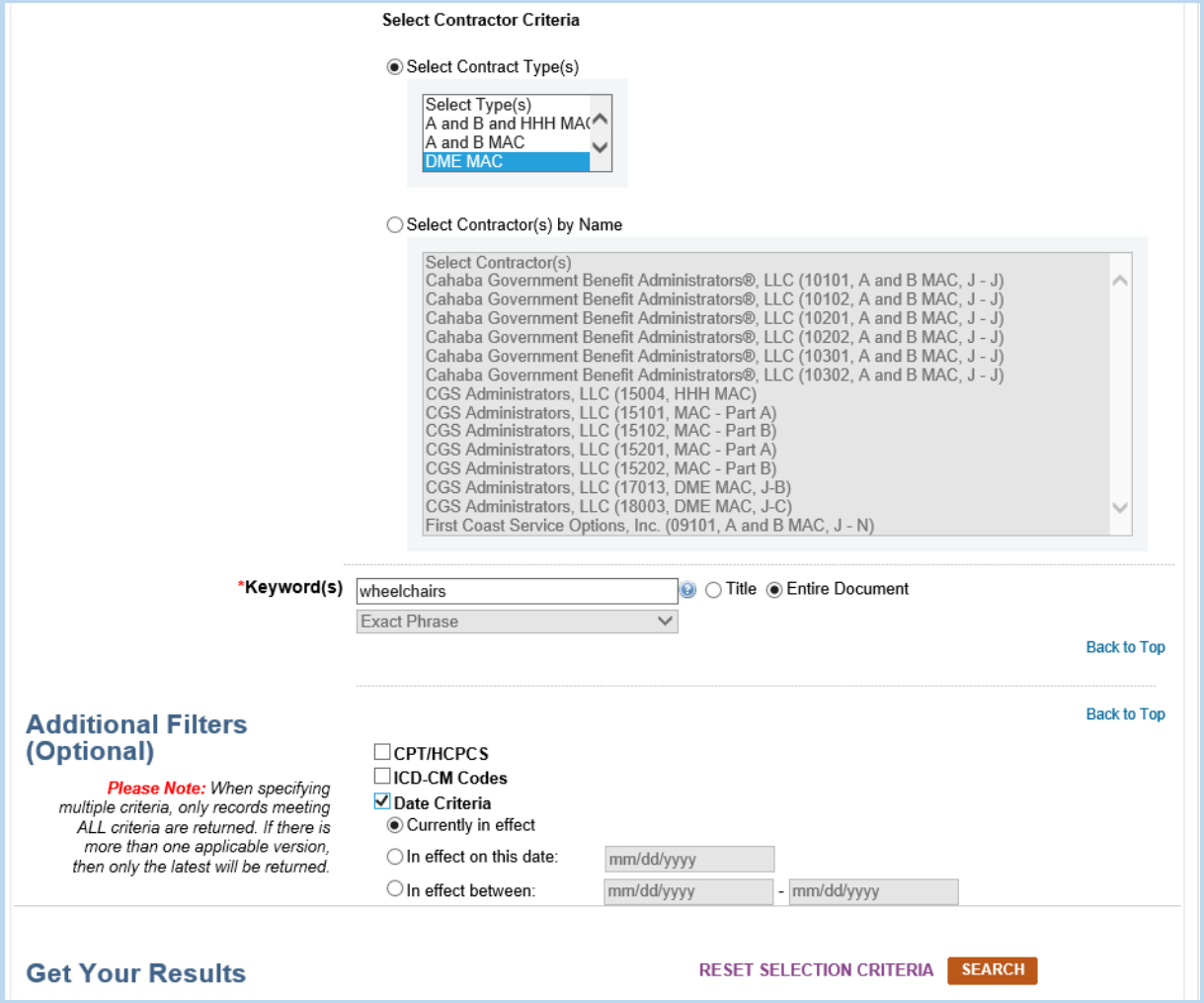
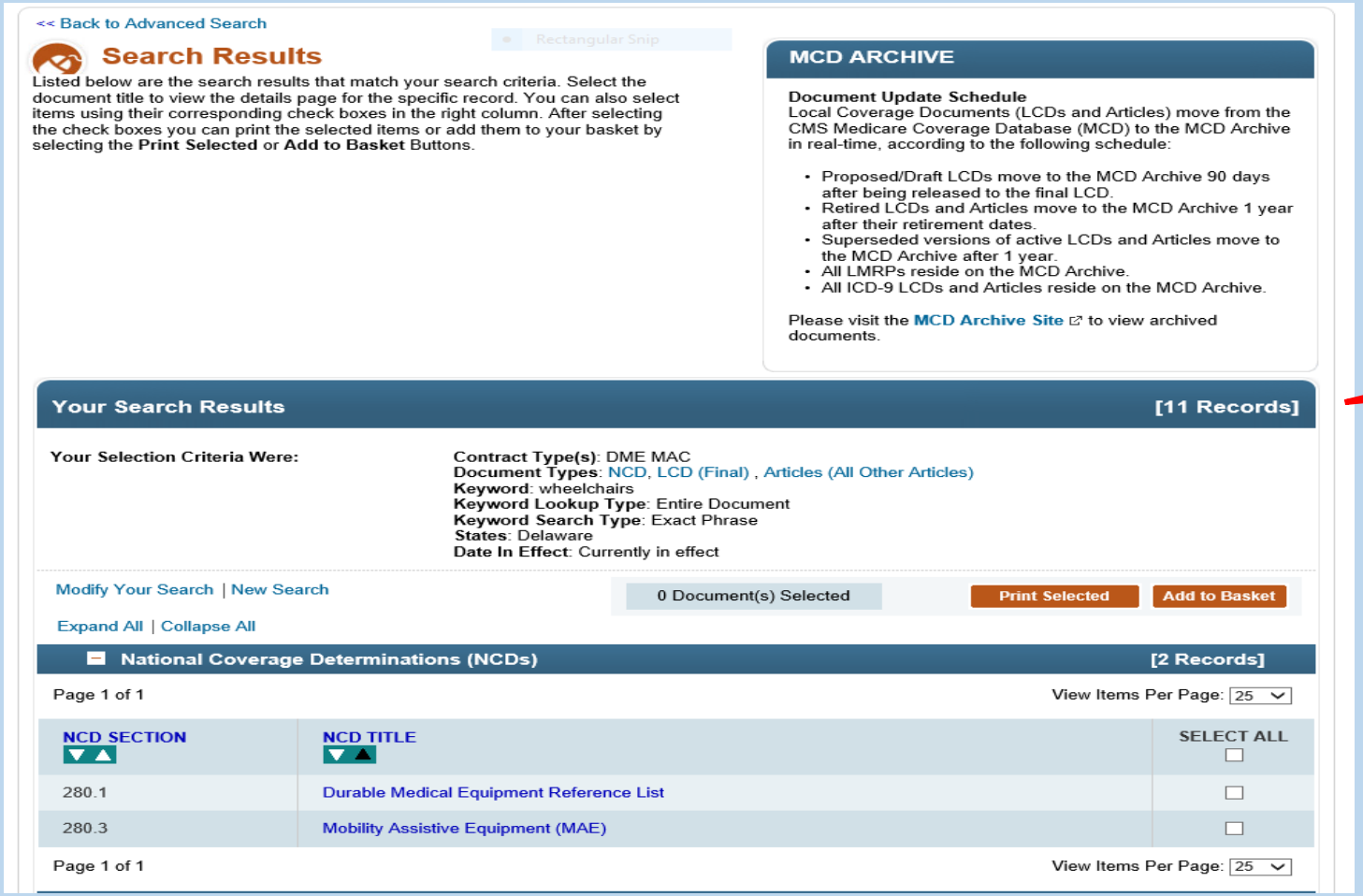


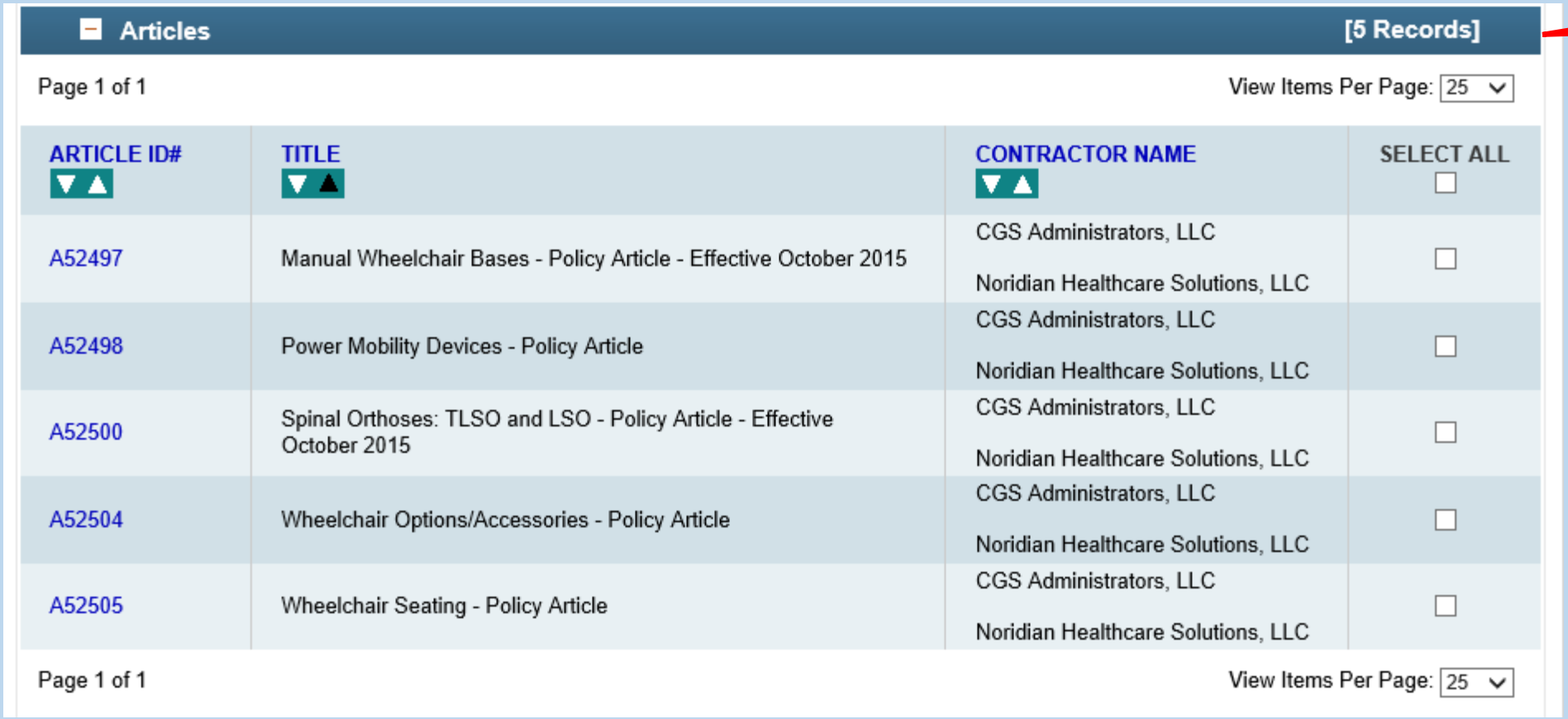
Advanced Search by Document Type: Ex.3



11 Total Records Found

2 NCDs

Advanced Search by Document Type: Ex.3



Articles [5 Records]

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ARTICLE ID#	TITLE	CONTRACTOR NAME	SELECT ALL
A52497	Manual Wheelchair Bases - Policy Article - Effective October 2015	CGS Administrators, LLC Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	
A52498	Power Mobility Devices - Policy Article	CGS Administrators, LLC Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	
A52500	Spinal Orthoses: TLSO and LSO - Policy Article - Effective October 2015	CGS Administrators, LLC Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	
A52504	Wheelchair Options/Accessories - Policy Article	CGS Administrators, LLC Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	
A52505	Wheelchair Seating - Policy Article	CGS Administrators, LLC Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	

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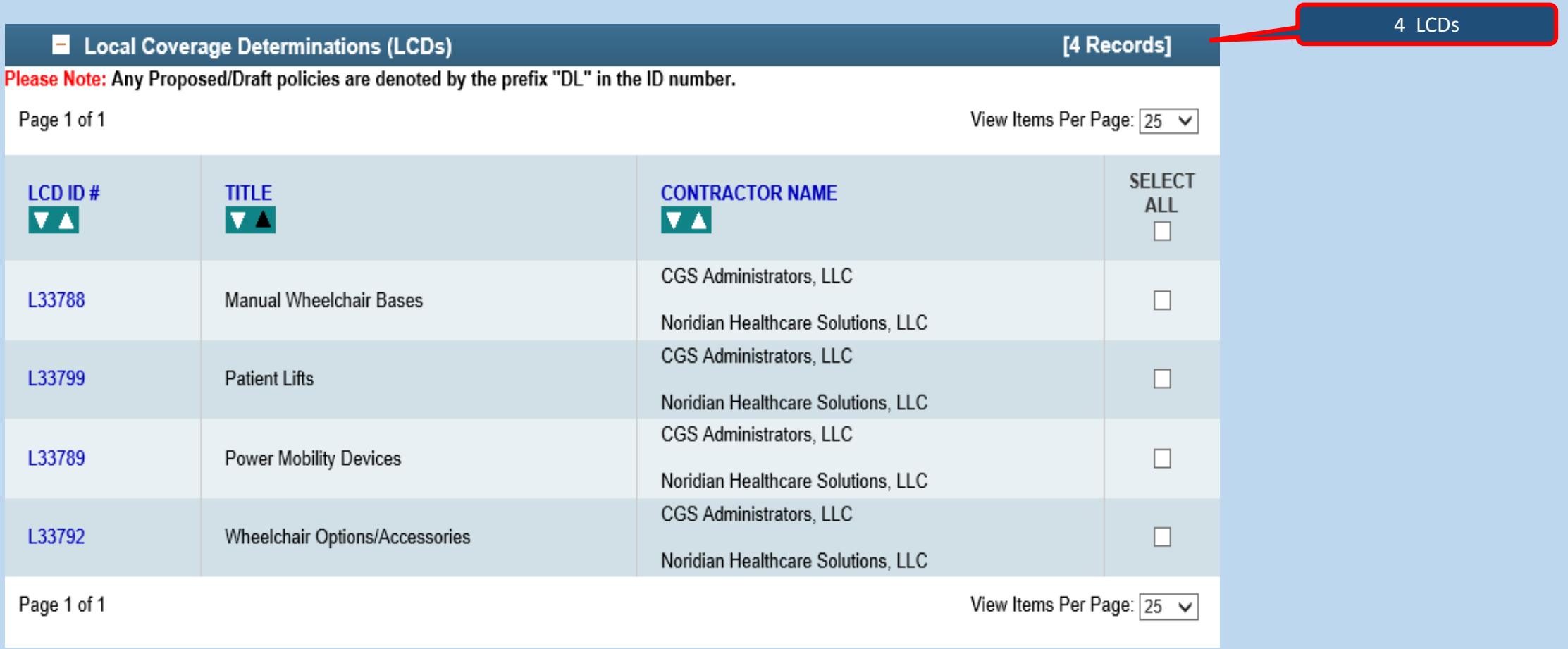
5 Articles

Advanced Search by Document Type: Ex.3 Cont.



Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs) [4 Records]

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LCD ID #	TITLE	CONTRACTOR NAME	SELECT ALL
L33788	Manual Wheelchair Bases	CGS Administrators, LLC Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	
L33799	Patient Lifts	CGS Administrators, LLC Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	
L33789	Power Mobility Devices	CGS Administrators, LLC Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	
L33792	Wheelchair Options/Accessories	CGS Administrators, LLC Noridian Healthcare Solutions, LLC	

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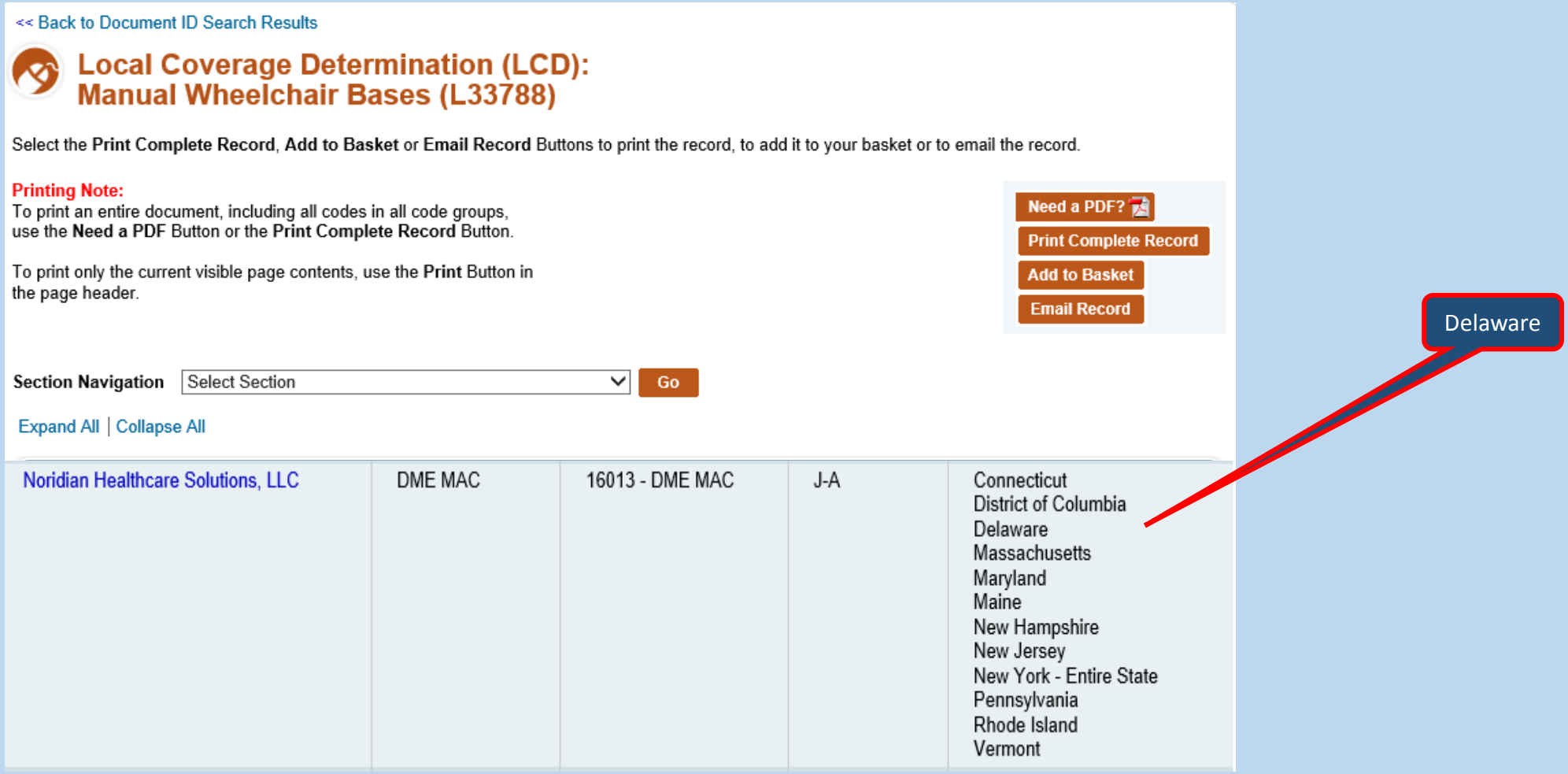
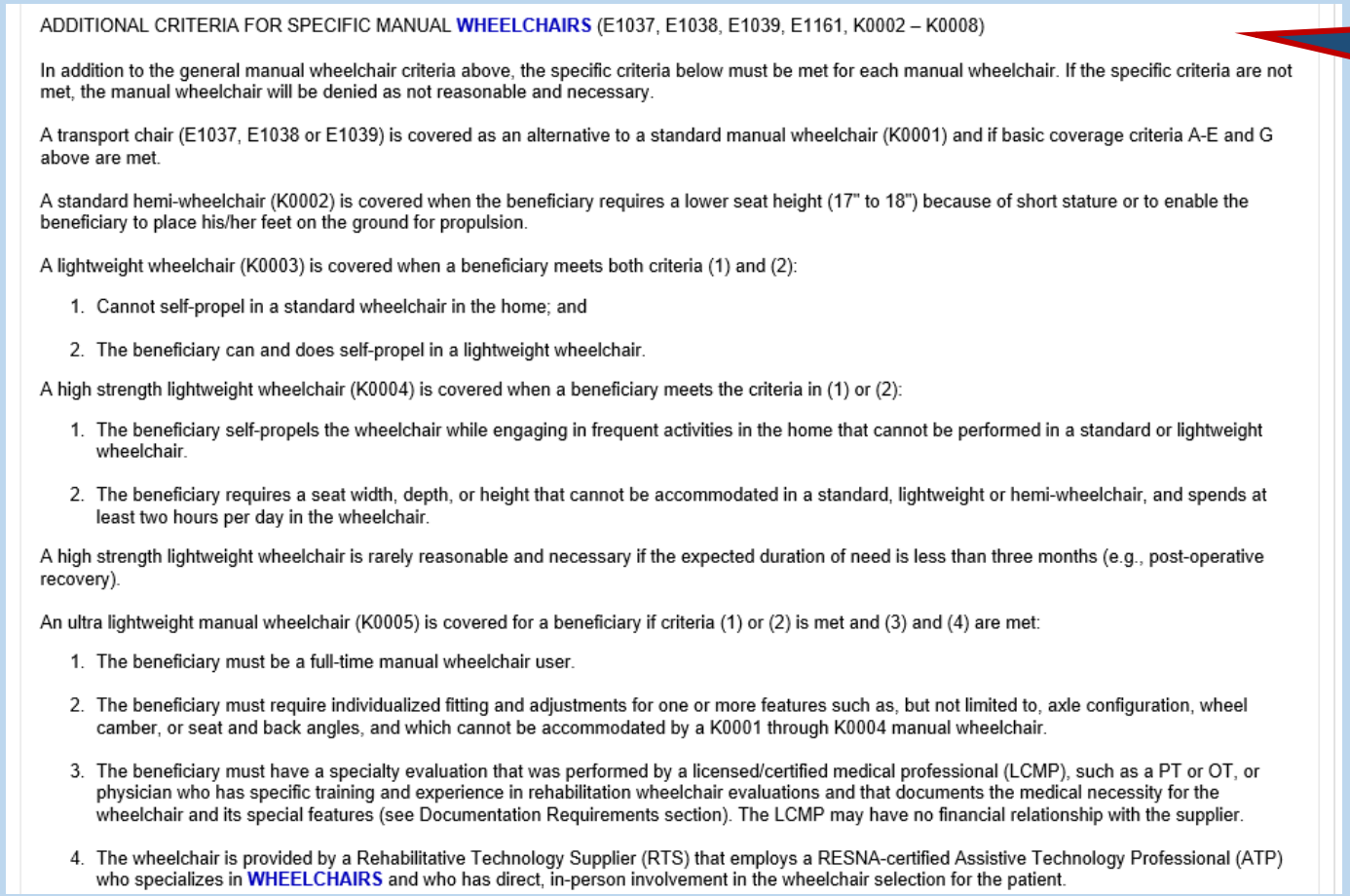


Advanced Search by Document Type: Ex. 3



ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR SPECIFIC MANUAL **WHEELCHAIRS** (E1037, E1038, E1039, E1161, K0002 – K0008)

In addition to the general manual wheelchair criteria above, the specific criteria below must be met for each manual wheelchair. If the specific criteria are not met, the manual wheelchair will be denied as not reasonable and necessary.

A transport chair (E1037, E1038 or E1039) is covered as an alternative to a standard manual wheelchair (K0001) and if basic coverage criteria A-E and G above are met.

A standard hemi-wheelchair (K0002) is covered when the beneficiary requires a lower seat height (17" to 18") because of short stature or to enable the beneficiary to place his/her feet on the ground for propulsion.

A lightweight wheelchair (K0003) is covered when a beneficiary meets both criteria (1) and (2):

1. Cannot self-propel in a standard wheelchair in the home; and
2. The beneficiary can and does self-propel in a lightweight wheelchair.

A high strength lightweight wheelchair (K0004) is covered when a beneficiary meets the criteria in (1) or (2):

1. The beneficiary self-propels the wheelchair while engaging in frequent activities in the home that cannot be performed in a standard or lightweight wheelchair.
2. The beneficiary requires a seat width, depth, or height that cannot be accommodated in a standard, lightweight or hemi-wheelchair, and spends at least two hours per day in the wheelchair.

A high strength lightweight wheelchair is rarely reasonable and necessary if the expected duration of need is less than three months (e.g., post-operative recovery).

An ultra lightweight manual wheelchair (K0005) is covered for a beneficiary if criteria (1) or (2) is met and (3) and (4) are met:

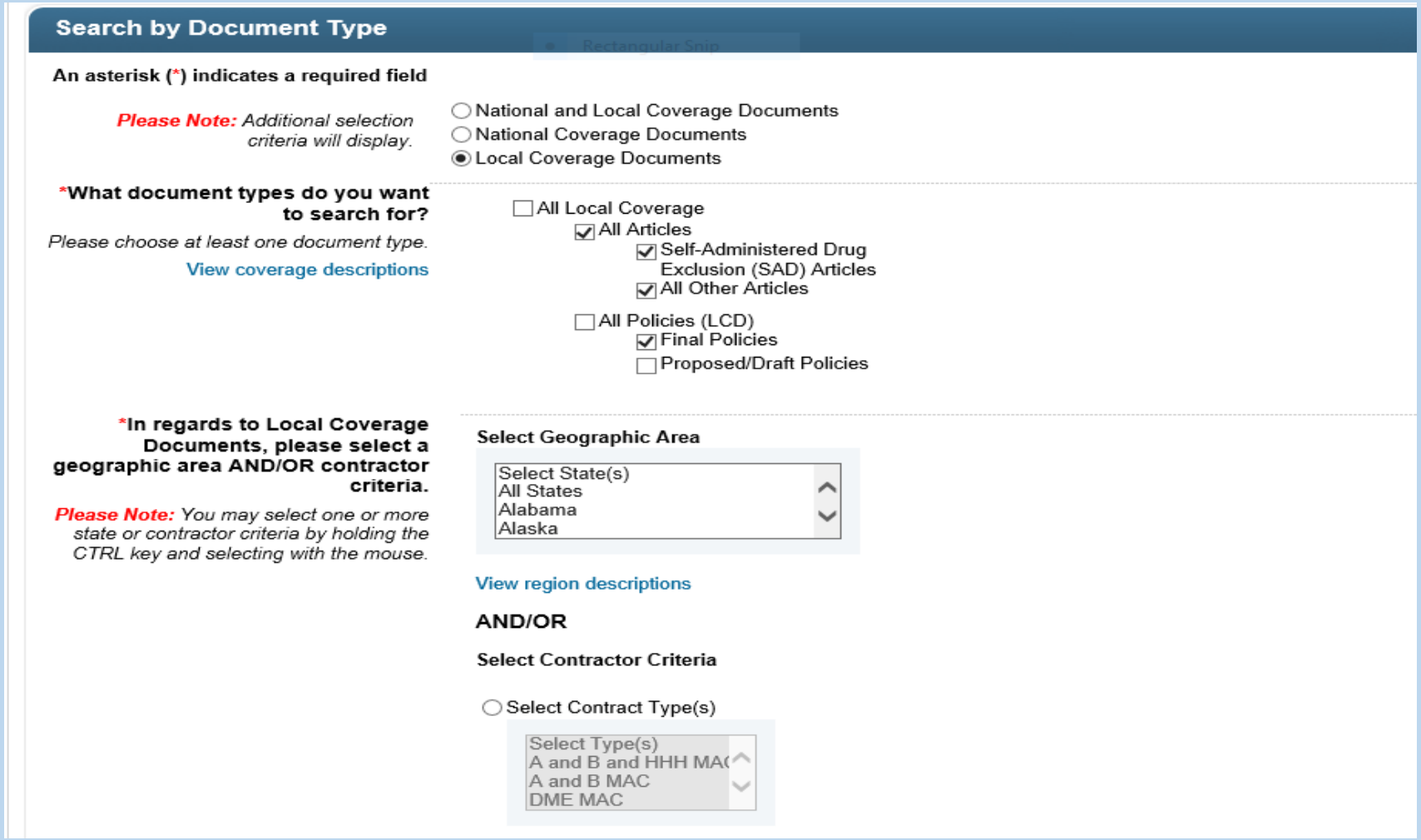
1. The beneficiary must be a full-time manual wheelchair user.
2. The beneficiary must require individualized fitting and adjustments for one or more features such as, but not limited to, axle configuration, wheel camber, or seat and back angles, and which cannot be accommodated by a K0001 through K0004 manual wheelchair.
3. The beneficiary must have a specialty evaluation that was performed by a licensed/certified medical professional (LCMP), such as a PT or OT, or physician who has specific training and experience in rehabilitation wheelchair evaluations and that documents the medical necessity for the wheelchair and its special features (see Documentation Requirements section). The LCMP may have no financial relationship with the supplier.
4. The wheelchair is provided by a Rehabilitative Technology Supplier (RTS) that employs a RESNA-certified Assistive Technology Professional (ATP) who specializes in **WHEELCHAIRS** and who has direct, in-person involvement in the wheelchair selection for the patient.

Keyword document search is in blue in the detail pages

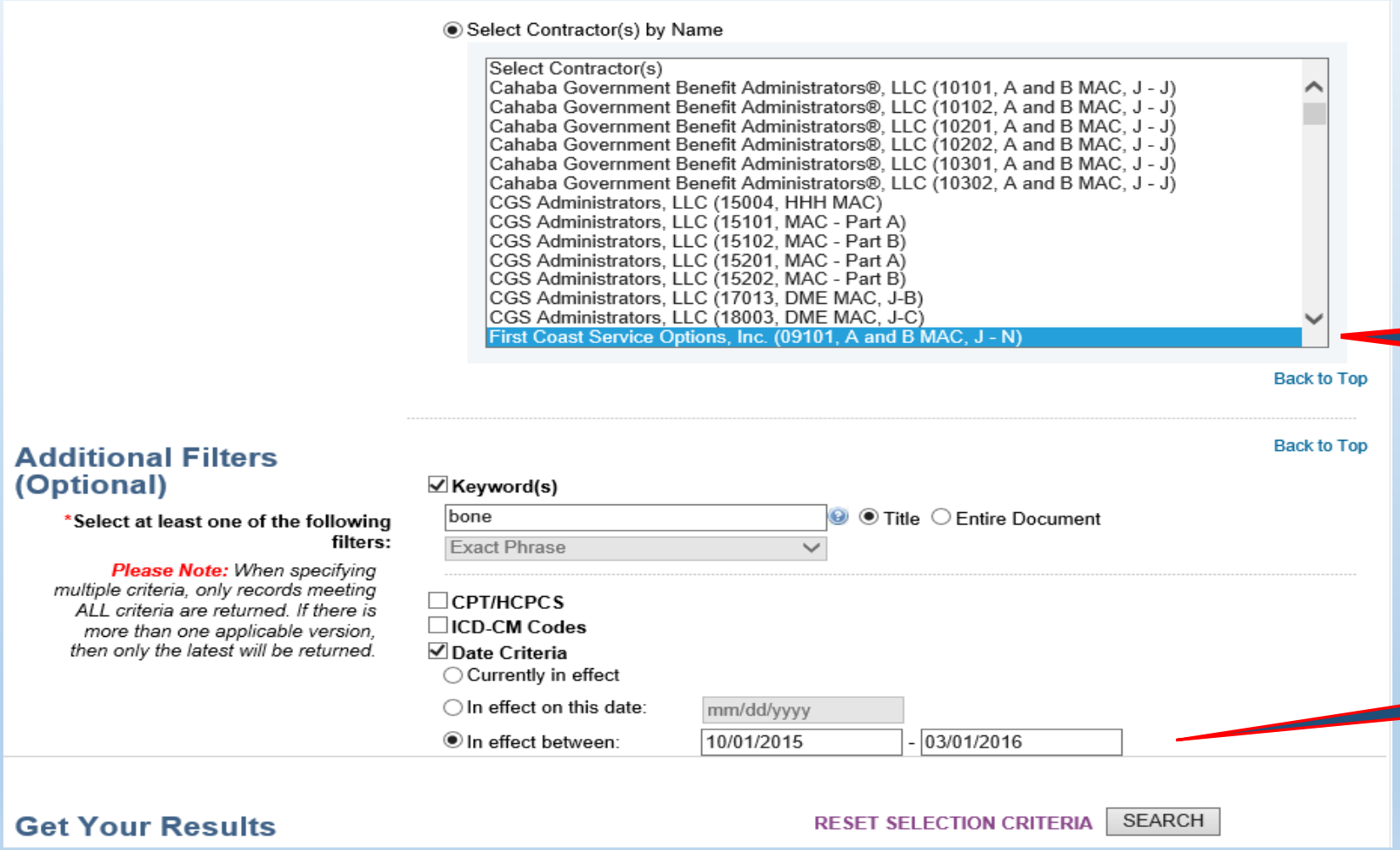
Advanced Search by Document Type: Ex. 4

- **Example 4. I am a billing supervisor in Florida. Our out-patient hospital recently purchased another outpatient center in my city. I notice that there are unbilled Medicare services from November of 2015 through February 15, 2016 for Bone Density testing. I want to find any LCDs that were current during that time-span; so, I can now complete the billing. I know my MAC is First Coast Service Providers (Part A - 09101) since I bill them now for all my other services.**
- **Objectives: Understand how to use a Contract Number, Keyword, and Date-Span search which includes Dates of Service in the past. As well, understand how to find and use previous (superseded) versions.**
- **Select Contract Number, Keyword, Date of Service: Date Span**

Advanced Search by Document Type: Ex. 4



Advanced Search by Document Type: Ex. 4 Cont.



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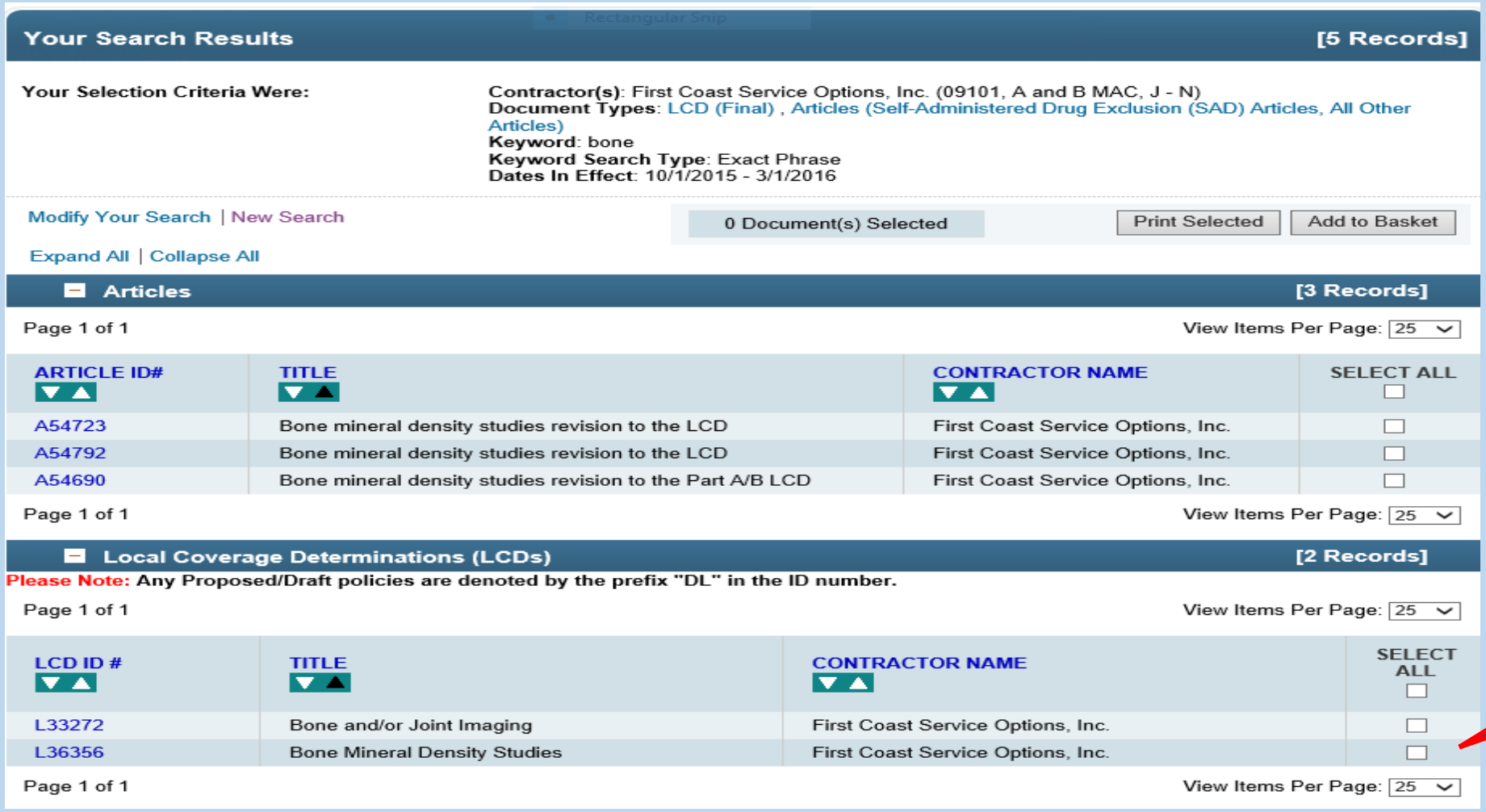

Your Search Results [5 Records]

Your Selection Criteria Were:

Contractor(s): First Coast Service Options, Inc. (09101, A and B MAC, J - N)
Document Types: LCD (Final) , Articles (Self-Administered Drug Exclusion (SAD) Articles, All Other Articles)
Keyword: bone
Keyword Search Type: Exact Phrase
Dates In Effect: 10/1/2015 - 3/1/2016

Modify Your Search | New Search

0 Document(s) Selected | Print Selected | Add to Basket

Expand All | Collapse All

Articles [3 Records]

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ARTICLE ID#	TITLE	CONTRACTOR NAME	SELECT ALL
A54723	Bone mineral density studies revision to the LCD	First Coast Service Options, Inc.	
A54792	Bone mineral density studies revision to the LCD	First Coast Service Options, Inc.	
A54690	Bone mineral density studies revision to the Part A/B LCD	First Coast Service Options, Inc.	

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Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs) [2 Records]

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LCD ID #	TITLE	CONTRACTOR NAME	SELECT ALL
L33272	Bone and/or Joint Imaging	First Coast Service Options, Inc.	
L36356	Bone Mineral Density Studies	First Coast Service Options, Inc.	

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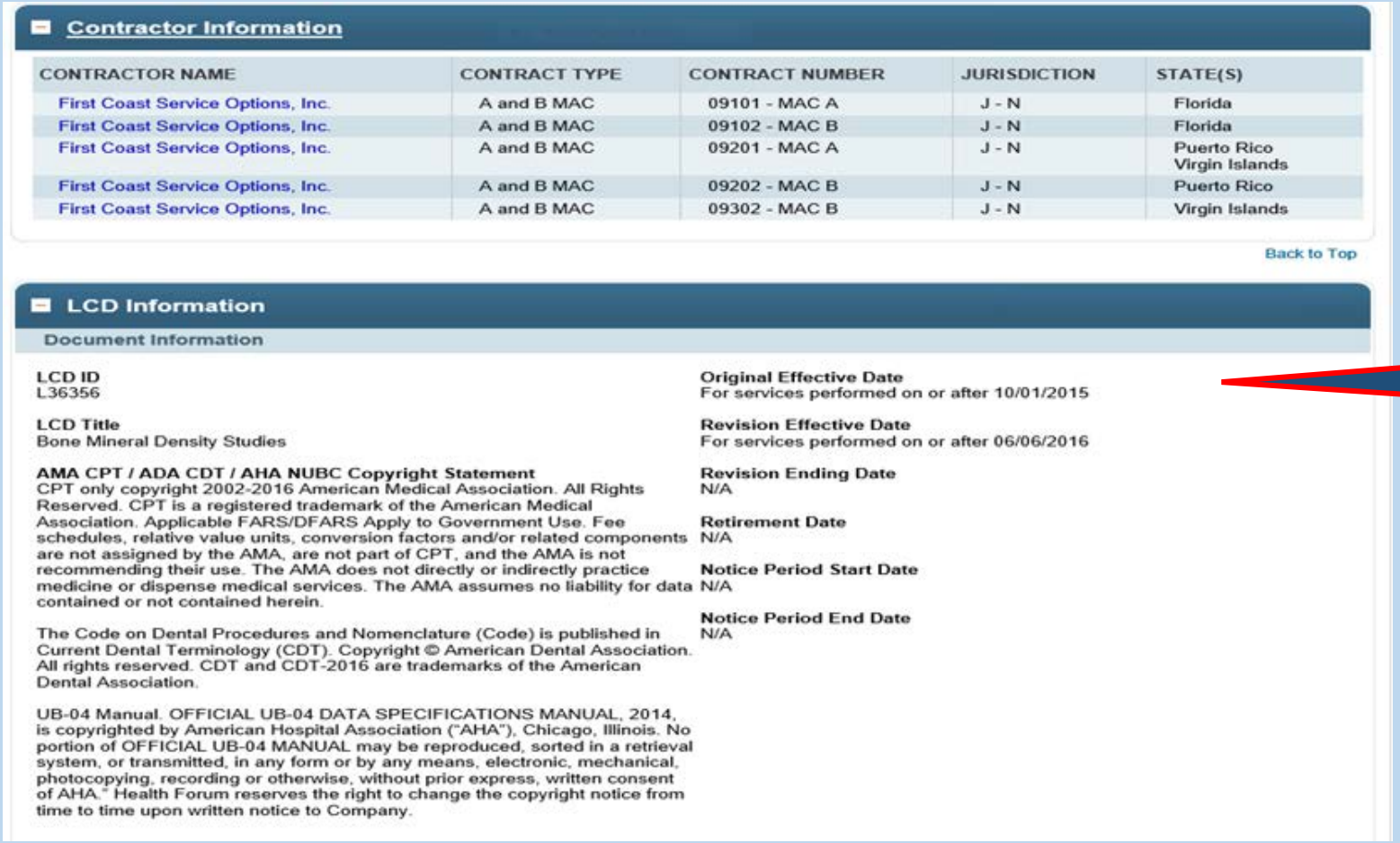
L36356 is the Active LCD.

Advanced Search by Document Type: Ex 4

- The Bone Density LCD is currently active. The Original Effective Date is 10/01/2015 and this version now was active beginning on 06/06/16. <u>This is not the version for the billing person to review.</u>



Contractor Information

CONTRACTOR NAME	CONTRACT TYPE	CONTRACT NUMBER	JURISDICTION	STATE(S)
First Coast Service Options, Inc.	A and B MAC	09101 - MAC A	J - N	Florida
First Coast Service Options, Inc.	A and B MAC	09102 - MAC B	J - N	Florida
First Coast Service Options, Inc.	A and B MAC	09201 - MAC A	J - N	Puerto Rico Virgin Islands
First Coast Service Options, Inc.	A and B MAC	09202 - MAC B	J - N	Puerto Rico
First Coast Service Options, Inc.	A and B MAC	09302 - MAC B	J - N	Virgin Islands

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LCD Information

Document Information

LCD ID
L36356

LCD Title
Bone Mineral Density Studies

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For services performed on or after 06/06/2016

Revision Ending Date
N/A

Retirement Date
N/A

Notice Period Start Date
N/A

Notice Period End Date
N/A

OED: 10/01/15
RED: 06/06/06

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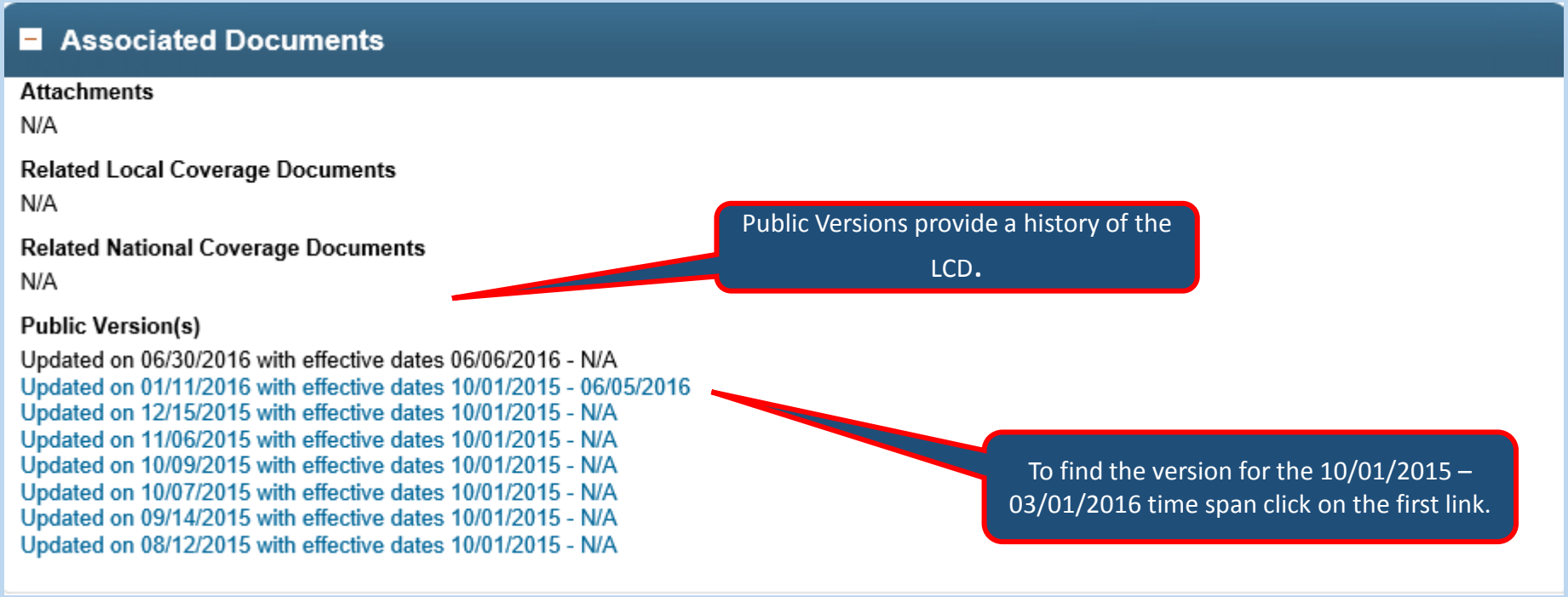
- This LCD was active for the time-span needed by the person billing. If an earlier version was needed, review the public version portion of the **Associated Documents** section of the LCD.



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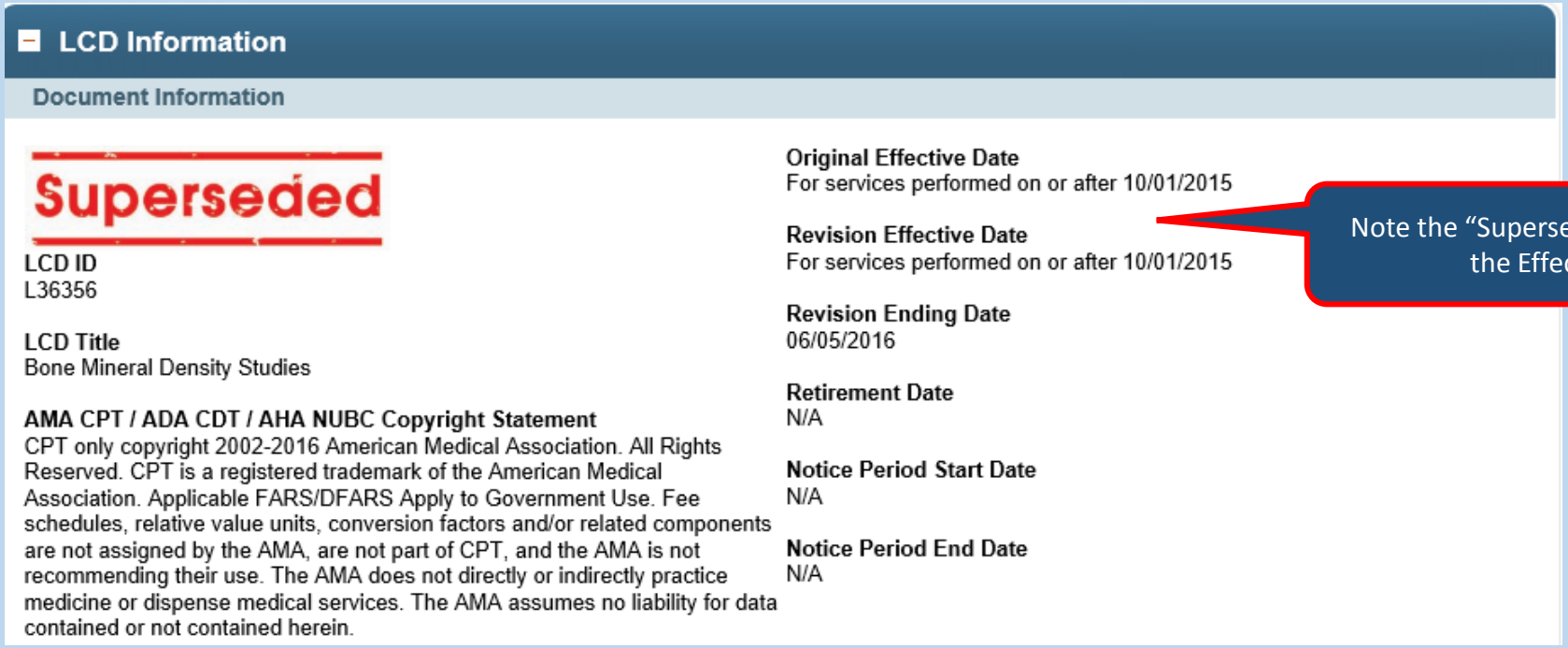
- This is the version to use for billing span dates from 10/01/2015 to 03/01/2016 since this version was effective during that time .



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Bone Mineral Density Studies

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06/05/2016

Retirement Date
N/A

Notice Period Start Date
N/A

Notice Period End Date
N/A

Note the "Superseded" watermark and the Effective Dates.

Advanced Search by Document Type: Ex 4

❖The Revision History is an overview of the changes in the LCD since the Original Effective Date.

Revision History Information

REVISION HISTORY DATE	REVISION HISTORY NUMBER	REVISION HISTORY EXPLANATION	REASON(S) FOR CHANGE
10/01/2015	R6	Revision History Number R4 contains a typographical error. The effective date of this revision should be for claims processed on or after 11/02/2015 for Part B and 11/04/2015 for Part A, for dates of service on or after 10/01/15.	• Typographical Error
10/01/2015	R5	Revision History Number: R2 Revision Number: 2 Publication: December 2015 Connection LCR A/B2015-035 Explanation of revision: This LCD was revised to add ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes Z79.3, Z79.83, and Z87.310 based on Change Request 9252. The effective date of this revision is for claims processed on or after 01/04/16, or dates of service on or after 10/01/15.	• Revisions Due To ICD-10-CM Code Changes
10/01/2015	R4	Revision Number: 1 Publication: November 2015 Connection LCR A/B2015-025 Explanation of revision: This LCD was revised to add ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes M85.80*, M85.811*, M85.812*, M85.821*, M85.822*, M85.831*, M85.832*, M85.841*, M85.842*, M85.851*, M85.852*, M85.861*, M85.862*, M85.871*, M85.872*, M85.88*, and M85.89* to the "ICD-10 Codes that Support Medical Necessity" section of the LCD, for CPT codes 77080 and 77085, based on CMS direction. The effective date of this revision is for claims processed on or after 11/02/2014 for Part B and 11/04/2014 for Part A, for dates of service on or after 10/01/15.	• Revisions Due To ICD-10-CM Code Changes
10/01/2015	R3	typographical error in title of LCD.	• Typographical Error
10/01/2015	R2	Based on LCD indications, additional ICD-10 diagnosis codes have been added to the "ICD-10 codes that Support Medical Necessity" section of this LCD	• Revisions Due To ICD-10-CM Code Changes
10/01/2015	R1	The language and/or ICD-10-CM diagnoses were updated to be consistent with the current ICD-9-CM LCD's language and coding.	• Provider Education/Guidance

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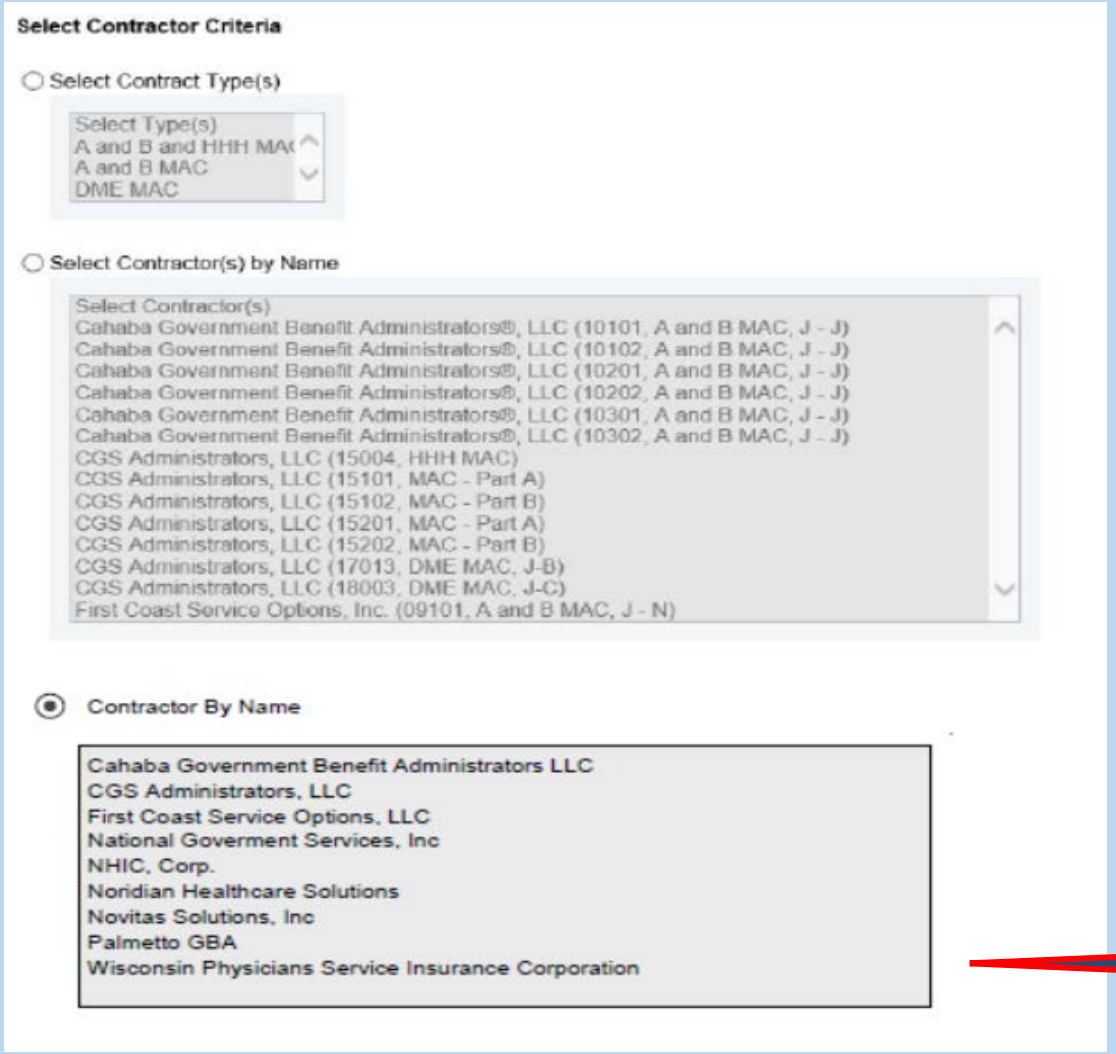
- On 12/30/16, a new select list will be added to the Advanced Search Page. The new select list includes the MACs by name only. It will look similar to the following:



Questions and Answers

Question	Answer
We are receiving denials for medical necessity when our covered code is only in the reason for visit field. Is Medicare no longer looking at this field? If so, when did this happen and why?	All questions regarding covered codes, medical necessity, and parameters for making reasonable and necessary determinations with regards to an LCD should be directed to the Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC) that your company bills for service.
If there is no LCD for our specific state which state do we choose?	You may only use LCDs published by the MAC contractor in the state where a service is performed. As well, there are not LCDs for all services. All questions regarding covered codes, medical necessity, and parameters for making reasonable and necessary determinations in lieu of an LCD should be directed to the Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC) that your company bills for service.

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The View Items Per Page always defaults to 25. Can that be made to default to all?	The CMS CCSQ Team and the Fu coverage Team have discussed changing the 25 entry default on “View Items Per Page” and determined that many users prefer only seeing 25 results per page. We have a monthly call to discuss updates to the MCD and will review this in light of your question.

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The NCDs do not contain coding information however some of the NCDs (excluding lab) have specific coding information that is listed by NCD in an Excel file. Links to these files are usually found in a MLN Matters article such as that on page 2 of MM9751. Where are these Excel files located on the CMS website?	As was mentioned on this Lunch and Learn call, we will be adding the link to the National Coverage Index page in the future. We reported on the call that the update was scheduled to be incorporated into our 12/31/16 MCD release; however, after the call, we reconvened and will attempt to add it in late November. Please watch for an update on the MCD Portal Notice Board. The new ICD-10 Codes associated to NCDs can be found at: https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coverage/CoverageGenInfo/ICD10.html

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How long do items stay in the Basket?	Items remain in your basked throughout your session. In other words, while you remain on the MCD. When you log out, the Basket is cleared.
Is there going to be a replay of this presentation?	We have no plans to replay the session; however, the Power Point Presentation associated to the session will be added to the MCD Overview page shortly. Please look for an update on the MCD Portal Notice Board once it is posted.
Are any CME's offered for this webinar?	No. None of the four (4) Lunch and Learn sessions include CMEs.

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Is there a way to search by code for payments made by CMS to providers? Can I search by code and see a list of all CMS payments made to providers by state?	The MCD only includes National and Local Coverage information. It does not include any payment information. However, this link may be useful: https://data.cms.gov/Public-Use-Files/Medicare-Provider-Utilization-and-Payment-Data-Phy/ee7f-sh97

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What if there is a conflict between NCD and LCD which takes precedence?	This answer depends on how “conflict” is described. If the NCD says to cover for ONLY X,Y and Z services then the MAC cannot cover for other services. If the NCD says X, Y, Z services are covered but never mentions other services (it is silent) then those other services are left to contractor discretion.

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Medical necessity for NCDs would not be related to the MAC. How do we ask questions regarding NCDs?	Please use the "Submit Feedback/Ask a Question" tool which is at the bottom of every MCD Page. As we discussed on the webinar, this link is available throughout the CMS.gov website. However, we strongly urge you to use the link on the MCD pages for these type of issues since questions from these pages are directly sent to our CCSQ contact.
When I was attempting to print the basket, it allowed me to print, but then I was unable to return back to my basket. Any thoughts on functionality issues?	If you are experience any functionality issues, please use the "Submit Feedback/Ask A Question" tool at the bottom of each MCD page. Taking screen shots assists us in answering your inquiry.

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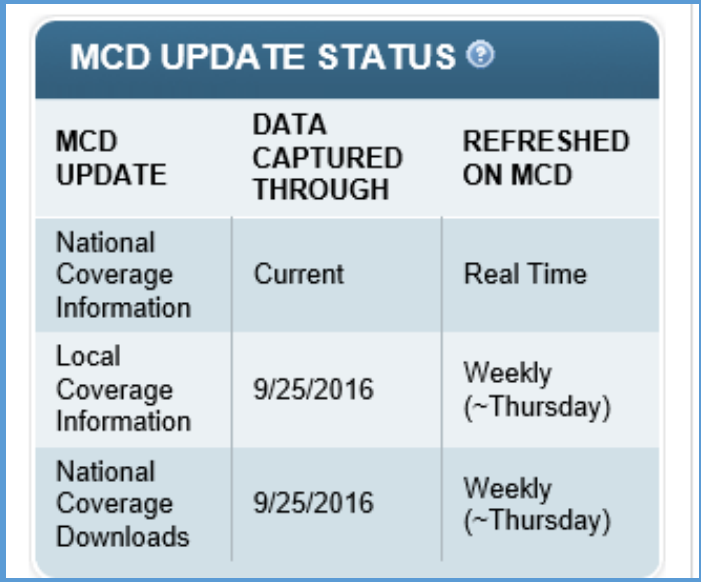
Is the MCD Update Status Accurate? 	Yes, the MCD Update Status is accurate and is posted on the following MCD Pages: Overview Page, Advanced Search Page, and Downloads Page. National data are updated in real time. LCDs and Articles are updated weekly. Data is collected at midnight Sunday each week and posted to the MCD the following Thursday. As an example, data collected on Sunday 9/25/16 is posted to the MCD on Thursday 9/29/16.

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Does this webinar discuss coverage criteria for Part B/DME supplies?	All questions regarding covered codes, medical necessity, and parameters for making reasonable and necessary determinations with regards to an LCD should be directed to the Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC) that your company bills for service.
When looking for criteria to make UM decisions should we only be searching for NCDs and LCDs?	No. Not all services that Medicare covers has an NCD or an LCD. Your MAC may have more information on coverage issues on their Websites and in communications from their Provider Outreach and Education (POE) Team. Further, there is often valuable information in Articles in the MCD.
How do we find out what # our MAC is?	Please use the MCD Index for this information. Open the Index Page and select "Local Coverage Indexes". Then select "MAC Contacts". There is an alpha list of all of MAC Contractors and the contract number associated to each state. As well, if you know your MAC Contract Type, you can search by a specific contract type.

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Could you all describe the difference between a LCD and an Article?	**LCDs** From the CH.13 Program Integrity Manual: "An LCD is a decision by a Medicare administrative contractor (MAC) whether to cover a particular item or service on a MAC-wide basis in accordance with Section 1862(a)(1)(A) of the Social Security Act (i.e., a determination as to whether the item or service is reasonable and necessary)….. The LCDs specify under what clinical circumstances an item or service is considered to be reasonable and necessary. They are administrative and educational tools to assist providers in submitting correct claims for payment. Contractors publish LCDs to provide guidance to the public and medical community within their jurisdictions. Articles: MACs publish articles to further enhance LCDs and unlike LCDs may include coding guidelines, benefit category and statutory exclusion criteria. CH.13 of the Program Integrity Manual provides in depth information on LCD development process. You can access this portion of the PIM from the MCD Overview Page in the "Related Links" section of the Page.
Can an article be used for initial decision in the absence of a LCD?	The Articles on the MCD often provide supplemental information to an LCD or may be a "stand alone" document. However, in either case, they may not solely be used as a tool for determining reasonable and necessary coverage criteria.

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Recently an LCD was updated for lumbar injections. Will the LCD include cervical and thoracic areas of the spine or will they get their own LCD soon? How do I find this out?	All questions regarding covered codes, medical necessity, and parameters for making reasonable and necessary determinations in lieu of an LCD should be directed to the Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC) that your company bills for service.
Is there a way I can find how often a service will be covered?	All questions regarding covered codes, medical necessity, and parameters for making reasonable and necessary determinations in lieu of an LCD should be directed to the Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC) that your company bills for service.
When coding for professional fees, I believe the NCCI edits also apply, however, some providers feel that they can capture components of the comprehensive procedure. Is this true?	All questions regarding covered codes, medical necessity, and parameters for making reasonable and necessary determinations regarding or in lieu of an LCD, as well as NCCI edits, should be directed to the Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC) that your company bills for service.

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When there are more than one active LCD within a Jurisdiction, which one is used for determining clinical criteria?	For the most part, CMS only establishes a contract with one MAC per State who is responsible for creating medical policy and adjudicating claims. However, CMS does have a Part A Contract with Wisconsin Physicians Service Insurance Company" (WPSIC) to provide services in a number of states. Companies that bill for services that are covered by a "Primary MAC" as well as WPSIC (sometimes referred to as a Secondary Jurisdiction) may bill either MAC. However, the provider must select one of the two MACs and bill to that MAC consistently for Part A services. A provider may not bill for Part A services to both MACs.
I work with TRICARE helping beneficiaries. I don't do billing so this is all very new to me. I followed the instructions to search but my search came up with no results. I'm trying to find what the coverage is for HCPCS code C9739 in Nebraska. Would I use this feature to search?	TriCare is a US Department of Defense (DOD) healthcare system that primarily provides health care coverage for the active and retired military personnel and their families. TriCare has its own set of medical policies and coverage. Please use the following links to access their website: http://tricare.mil/ or http://tricare.com/

Next Lunch and Learn: MCD Indexes

- Our next Lunch & Learn is scheduled for Wednesday, October 12, 2016.
- This Lunch & Learn is an overview of the National Coverage Indexes and the Local Coverage Indexes.
- For some end users, it is most expeditious to use an Index rather than creating a query. Tips will be included on how to best leverage the Indexes for your work.