
PROGRAM MEMORANDUM CARRIERS

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SUBJECT: Changes to Correct Coding Edits, Version 6.1, Effective April 1, 2000

The latest package of Correct Coding Initiative (CCI) edits, Version 6.1 and commercial edits effective April 1, 2000, will be available via the HCFA Data Center (HDC). A test file will be available on or about January 3, 2000 and the final file will be available on or about February 1, 2000. Version 6.1 will include all previous versions and updates from January 1, 1996 to the present and will be organized in two tables; Comprehensive/Component Edits (CCE) and Mutually Exclusive (MEC) Edits.

The Regional Office Correct Coding Initiative (ROCCI) representatives can access the files from the HDC in the same manner they downloaded the previous versions. The filenames for the regions are:

Test File:

MU00.@BF12372.CCIALL.MEEDITS.TEST.V6.1; and
MU00.@BF12372.CCIALL.CMPEDITS.TEST.V6.1.

Final File:

MU00.@BF12372.CCIALL.MEEDITS.FINAL.V6.1; and
MU00.@BF12372.CCIALL.CMPEDITS.FINAL.V6.1.

The carriers will need to use specific job control language in order to access Version 6.1 through the Network Data Mover. The filenames for the carriers are:

Test File:

MU00.@BF12372.CCINDM.MEEDITS.TEST.V6.1; and
MU00.@BF12372.CCINDM.CMPEDITS.TEST.V6.1.

Final File:

MU00.@BF12372.CCINDM.MEEDITS.FINAL.V6.1; and
MU00.@BF12372.CCINDM.CMPEDITS.FINAL.V6.1.

The CCE and MEC files will maintain the file formats contained in MCM§ 4630.M (Revised August 1999) of the MCM. The CCI Adds, Deletes, and Correct Coding Modifier Changes lists will be forthcoming via GroupWise in March 2000.

Due to Current Procedure Terminology copyrights, immediate corrections, if any, will be included in one of the above electronic notifications.

Carriers need not search their files to either retract payment or to retroactively pay claims. However, carriers should adjust claims if they are brought to their attention.

These instructions should be implemented within your current operating budget.

This Program Memorandum may be discarded April 1, 2001.

**Contractor questions should be directed to their ROCCI Representative.
Public inquiries should be directed to their Medicare Contractor.**

The effective date of this instruction is April 1, 2000.

The implementation date of this instruction is April 1, 2000.