

Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

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- Pub. 100-04 Medicare Claims Processing Manual
- Pub. 100-07 State Operations Manual (SOM)

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- Preliminary Medicare COVID-19 Data Snapshot
- CMS COVID-19 Accomplishments 06/12/2020

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- CMS Transmittals
- <u>SE20015</u> New Waivers for Inpatient Prospective Payment System Hospitals, Long-Term Care Hospitals, and Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities due to Provisions of the CARES Act
- <u>SE20011</u> Medicare Fee-for-Service (FFS) Response to the Public Health Emergency on the Coronavirus (COVID-19)

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- <u>Trump Administration Releases COVID-19 Telehealth Toolkit to Accelerate State Use of Telehealth in Medicaid and CHIP</u> -04/23/2020
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- Medicare Telemedicine Health Care Provider Fact Sheet 03/17/2020

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- *Interim Final Rule, CMS-3401-IFC: Medicare and Medicaid Programs, Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA), and Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Additional Policy and Regulatory Revisions in Response to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency 09/02/2020
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- <u>Notification of Enforcement Discretion Rule:</u> Enforcement Discretion Under HIPAA To Allow Uses and Disclosures of Protected Health Information by Business Associates for Public Health and Health Oversight Activities in Response to COVID-19 - 04/07/2020
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- Laboratory Data Reporting for COVID-19 Testing FAQs
- ASPR TRACIE: Novel Coronavirus Resources
- HHS telehealth guidance & information for Providers
- Telehealth: Delivering Care Safely During COVID-19

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- Renewal of Determination That A Public Health Emergency Exists 07/23/2020
- Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response: <u>Waiver or Modification of Requirements Under Section 1135 of the</u>
 <u>Social Security Act</u> 03/13/2020

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- Notification of Enforcement Discretion for Telehealth 03/19/2020
 - Telehealth and HIPAA FAQs 03/2020
- March 2020 HIPAA and COVID-19 Bulletin

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• Fraudulent Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Products

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- FDA Issues first Emergency Use Authorization for Point of Care Diagnostic 03/21/2020
- FDA Issues Guidance for Conducting Clinical Trials 03/18/2020

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- <u>Using Modifier 95 for Telehealth Makes Cents</u> 04/27/2020

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 - COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Resources & Tools
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- AHIMA Special Update: Telehealth and Relaxed HIPAA Enforcement During COVID-19 03/24/2020
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American Medical Association (AMA)

- *Special Edition COVID-19 Coding Update 09/2020
- *Special Edition Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) Laboratory Testing 08/2020
- Special Edition <u>Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus (SARS-CoV and SARS-CoV-2) Laboratory Testing</u> -06/2020
- AMA announces CPT code for antigen tests in the fight against COVID-19 06/25/2020
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- Meeting Archive: Coding for Telemedicine and COVID-19 05/06/2020
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- CMS payment policies & regulatory flexibilities during COVID-19 emergency
- CPT reporting for COVID-19 Testing
- Special coding advice during COVID-19 public health emergency
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- Quick guide to telemedicine in practice
- COVID-19 coding and guidance

American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA)

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- Interim Guidelines for Collecting, Handling, and Testing Clinical Specimens from Persons for Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)
- ICD-10-CM April 1, 2020 Addenda
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- Recommendations for Re-opening Facilities to Provide Non-emergent Non-COVID-19 Healthcare 06/08/2020
- Provider Burden Relief FAQs
- General Provider Telehealth and Telemedicine Tool Kit
- <u>CMS-2020-01-R</u> Payment for Laboratory Tests for the Detection of SARS-CoV-2 or the Diagnosis of the Virus that Causes COVID-19 Making Use of the Technologies Marketed as the Roche Cobas® Analyzer or the Abbott Realtime System® as of April 13, 2020
- State Medicaid & CHIP Telehealth Toolkit: Policy Considerations for States Expanding Use of Telehealth COVID-19 Version
- *Medicare Fee-for-Service (FFS) Billing FAQs
- CMS Develops Additional Code for Coronavirus Lab Tests 03/05/2020
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- H.R.266/P.L. 116-139: Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act
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 - COVID-19 Pandemic Response, Laboratory Data Reporting: CARES Act Section 18115 06/04/2020
 - HHS: CARES Act Provider Relief Fund
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- Food & Drug Administration (FDA): Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)
- Office of Inspector General (OIG)
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- Homeland Security: Coronavirus (COVID-19)
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