
Program Memorandum Carriers

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SUBJECT: Correction to Correct Coding Edits, Version 8.0, Effective January 1, 2002

This Program Memorandum (PM) makes available new Final Files for CCI Version 8.0, effective January 1, 2002. The purpose of these new files is to correct the modifier indicator for the mutually exclusive code pair 90378/90379 on Final File 01 for CCI V8.0.

The regional office correct coding initiative representatives can access the files from HDC in the same manner they download the previous versions. The new filenames for the regions are:

Final File:

MU00.@BF12372.CCIALL.MEEDITS.FINAL02.V80
MU00.@BF12372.CCIALL.CMPEDITS.FINAL02.V80

The carriers will need to use specific job control language in order to access Version 8.0 through the Network Data Mover. The new filenames for the carriers are:

Final File:

MU00.@BF12372.CCINDM.MEEDITS.FINAL02.V80
MU00.@BF12372.CCINDM.CMPEDITS.FINAL02.V80

The above files are available for immediate downloading.

The corrected Version 8.0 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 Code (MEC) Edits.

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.

The *effective date* for this PM is January 1, 2002.

The *implementation date* for this PM is January 1, 2002.

These instructions should be implemented within your current operating budget.

This PM may be discarded after January 1, 2003.

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