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AAPC Code Updates

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ICD-10-CM Codes Released for Fiscal Year 2019

The ICD-10-CM code set for 2019 includes 279 additions, 51 deletions, and 143 revised codes—for a grand total of 71,932 codes, compared to this year's 71,701 codes (an additional 228 codes). [Read More.](#)

Q9994 for Enteral Feeding Effective July 1

One of the new HCPCS Level II codes effective July 1 is creating a buzz as the Medicare Learning Network announced jurisdiction will be the Durable Medical Equipment (DME) Medicare Administrative Contractor's (MAC). Q9994 goes into effect at the beginning of July, allowing providers to report a new technology that will help patients being fed via enteral. [Read More.](#)

DMEPOS Fee Schedule Updates Effective June 1

Suppliers should be aware of a recent increase to the fee schedule amounts for durable medical equipment (DME) furnished between June 1, 2018, through Dec. 31, 2018, in rural areas and non-contiguous areas (Alaska, Hawaii, and United States territories) not subject to a Competitive Bidding Program (CBP). [Read More.](#)

3 New CPT Codes for Remote Monitoring

Fifty professional societies and healthcare providers wrote a letter to Seema Verma, the secretary of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) asking that the agency reimburse three new CPT codes for remote monitoring. [Read More.](#)

E/M Documentation by Med Students Rules Clarified

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) issued a MLN Matters article (MM10412 Revised) on May 31 with a retroactive effective date of January 1, 2018 clarifying documentation requirements when performed by Medical Students in a teaching situation. [Read More.](#)

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