

Quarterly Update to Home Health (HH) Grouper

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Provider Types Affected

This MLN Matters Article is for Home Health Agencies (HHAs) sending claims to Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs)) for services they provide to Medicare patients.

Provider Action Needed

Make sure your billing staff knows about these changes.

Background

The HH Grouper assigns each claim into a Home Health Resource Group (HHRG) based on the reported claim and patient assessment information, including diagnosis codes. Each year, the Grouper contractor, 3M Health Information Systems (3M-HIS), develops a new HH Grouper software package to reflect these updates.

CMS may make additional HH Grouper updates in quarterly releases if HH rulemaking changes the case-mix grouping policies or if there are additional ICD-10-CM codes during the year. CR 12429 gives a quarterly update to reflect the policies in the calendar year 2022 HH final rule.

The <u>HH Grouper and related documentation</u> for each update is available. This update is version 03.1.22 of the HH Grouper. It's effective for claims (Type of Bill 032x other than 32A or 320) from dates on or after January 1, 2022.

More Information

We issued CR 12429 to your MAC as the official instruction for this change.

For more information, contact your MAC.





Document History

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September 10, 2021	Initial article released.	

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