



3M™ Coding Reference Software and 3M™ Coding Reference Plus Software

- Provides your coding staff with easy-to-use, online access to valuable references, all integrated with the 3M™ Coding and Reimbursement System
- Links specific reference content to ICD-9-CM and CPT® codes to expedite the look-up process and help improve coding accuracy and consistency
- Offers powerful search capabilities that save a coder time and effort

Too many books, too little time

Every day, HIM departments and their coders are under intense pressure not only to code large quantities of medical records, but also to achieve quality in the coding. Each record must be accurately coded to meet coding compliance requirements and help facilitate appropriate reimbursement. To accomplish such feats, today's coding staff needs a thorough knowledge of disease processes, coding rules and guidelines, as well as medical terminology. When coders need to validate documentation in a patient's record or look up additional information to make sure they are coding accurately, they need convenient access to appropriate and up-to-date references.

Many HIM departments buy hard copies of various references, and coders must often share one or two copies of each reference. Because of the complexity of today's medical record documentation and ongoing regulatory changes, coders frequently use several references each day. If the process of using a reference is difficult or tedious, either productivity will suffer or the quality of medical record coding may decrease, because many coders may simply not have the time to use references as often as they should.

3M Coding Reference Software integrated into the 3M Coding and Reimbursement System

HIM departments that use the **3M Coding and Reimbursement System** can add on the **3M Coding Reference Software** to provide easy, online, integrated access to state-of-the-industry references. 3M Coding Reference Software changes the way coders look up coding and medical information by providing simple, mouse-click access to these valuable references:

- *AHA's Coding Clinic for ICD-9-CM*—Official coding resource published quarterly by the Central Office on ICD-9-CM.
- *AMA's CPT® Assistant*—Official coding advice published quarterly by the American Medical Association.
- *Clinical Pharmacology*—This drug reference includes information on prescription, over-the-counter, new, and investigational drugs, as well as information on drug interactions and adverse reaction screenings.
- *Dorland's Medical Dictionary and Elsevier's Anatomy Plates*—A robust medical dictionary and an easy-to-use anatomical reference that help both novice and experienced coders find the information they need to clarify the diagnoses or procedures documented in the medical record.

With 3M Coding Reference Software, there's no interruption of workflow, and no distraction from focusing on the content of the record. Just reliable reference information, when and where the coders need it.

3M™ Coding Reference Software and 3M™ Coding Reference Plus Software

Add even more references with 3M Coding Reference Plus Software

3M Coding Reference Software has helped 3M clients improve coding accuracy and streamline the coding process. When asked how this product could be improved, our customers overwhelmingly agreed that adding more references was the answer.

If you have purchased and installed the 3M Coding Reference Software on your 3M system, you can also add on **3M Coding Reference Plus Software**, which gives your coding staff access to these additional resources:

- *Coders' Desk Reference from Ingenix®*—This popular resource is packed with over 7,000 lay descriptions of surgery and medicine CPT® codes.
- *AHA's Coding Clinic for HCPCS*—This reference is published quarterly by the AHA and provides information related to Ambulatory Payment Classifications (APCs) and the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) code set.
- *Faye Brown's ICD-9-CM Coding Handbook*—A nationally known consultant in medical record management and data quality evaluation, Faye Brown has designed this handbook to provide HIM coders with an excellent reference tool for ICD-9-CM coding.
- *The Merck Manual of Diagnosis and Therapy*—This is the most widely used medical text in the world, covering human diseases, disorders, and injuries, as well as symptoms and recommended therapies. The diagnosis and treatment of common clinical disorders are arranged by organ system, etiology, or specialty.
- *Dr. Z's Interventional Radiology Coding Reference*—A reference guide designed specifically for the complexity of coding interventional radiology and special procedures performed in cardiology.
- *Dictionary of Medical Acronyms and Abbreviations*—This comprehensive guide clearly defines the most common healthcare abbreviations, acronyms, symbols, and other commonly encountered “shortcuts” in medical language and terminology.

- *Mosby's Diagnostic and Laboratory Test Reference*—Provides easy access to more than 600 clinically relevant laboratory and diagnostic tests, including normal findings for adults (male and female) and both elderly and pediatric patients. This work also lists tests by body system and test type.
- *Anesthesia Crosswalk*—A comprehensive guide to CPT® and ICD-9-CM code linkages.
- *DRG Definitions Manual*—Allows you to quickly and easily look up a DRG and see how it is calculated.
- *ICD-10-PCS Reference Manual*—Provides an explanation of how the ICD-10-PCS methodology works to help you prepare for I-10 implementation.

As expected, the 3M Coding Reference Plus Software connects ICD-9-CM and CPT® codes with specific, context-sensitive reference content, allowing for quick access to needed information. Sophisticated search capabilities are also built into the software so that coders can locate the information they need with minimal effort.

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