3M outpatient grouping, editing and reimbursement content

Available content* for 3M’s grouping solutions: 3M™ Grouper Plus Content Services, 3M™ Core Grouping Software

Outpatient grouping

The 3M Core Grouping Software contains the necessary tables and logic to accurately classify outpatient services and can be licensed with:

- Medicare Ambulatory Payment Classification (APC)
- Medicare Home Health
- TRICARE APC
- 3M™ Enhanced Ambulatory Patient Grouping (EAPG) System

Outpatient editing

The 3M versions of the Medicare Ambulatory Payment Classification (APC) and TRICARE APC groupers include the Medicare/TRICARE Outpatient Code Editor (OCE), National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI or CCI) edits and Medically Unlikely Edits (MUE). In addition, the 3M version of Medicare APC and TRICARE APC include a robust suite of proprietary edits to identify potential lost revenue, provide clarity to OCE edits and address areas that CMS examines, but which are not addressed in the public domain grouper.

You may also choose to license 3M™ Medical Necessity edits, which include:

- National and Local Coverage Determinations (NCDs and LCDs)
- Supporting ICD diagnostic codes and modifiers
- Other state Medicaid and payer-specific data
- Frequency, age and gender restrictions

The 3M EAPG System provides editing, including NCCI, MUE, and a full suite of edits designed to ensure correct coding & billing, and identify potential lost revenue.

The Medicare Home Health grouper includes the applicable OCE and NCCI edits, and a set of edits specifically designed to ensure correct coding & billing for Home Health claims.

Editors available for other types of outpatient and professional claims include:

- Medicare Renal Dialysis Facilities
- Medicare Professional Claims Editor

Outpatient reimbursement

The software calculates expected reimbursement using predefined logic and a custom rate schedule. You can define the parameters – such as hospital values, statistics files and other reimbursement variables – that will govern payment processing of your patient claims. Outpatient reimbursement schemes that can be licensed include:

- Blue Cross® Blue Shield® of Alabama – EAPGS
- Blue Cross® Blue Shield® of Minnesota – EAPGS

*These lists of available content are current as of publication, but 3M is constantly developing new grouping, editing and reimbursement content to meet market needs. Please check with your 3M representative for the latest updates.
In addition to the pre-defined reimbursements, the Outpatient Payment Calculation Toolkit (OPCT) lets you combine your own pricing rules, variables and statistics for a customized reimbursement scheme. The OPCT can be used in combination with the 3M™ Enhanced Ambulatory Patient Grouping (EAPG) System.

The Professional Claims Editing and Reimbursement component also provides editing and reimbursement calculation for all types of Medicare professional claims, including physicians and other professionals, ambulance suppliers, independent clinical labs and other entities that bill for services using the CMS-1500 or 837p forms.

Population health

With 3M’s grouping and methodology solutions, you can address population health reporting and management needs and closely look at hospitalizations, readmissions, complications, ED visits and ancillary services and their associated costs. 3M’s population health solutions include:

- 3M™ Population-focused Preventables (PFPs) identify preventable hospital admissions, ED visits and ancillary services (inpatient and outpatient).
- 3M™ Clinical Risk Grouping (CRG) Software is a clinically precise tool for longitudinal disease management and ideal for provider profiling, quality measurement and outcomes improvement. 3M CRGs can help align payment incentives with clinical goals and form the basis for effective chronic disease risk adjustment.
- 3M™ Patient-focused Episodes (PFE) Software defines over 500 episodes spanning inpatient and outpatient encounters and chronic and acute diseases. It supports provider profiling based on risk-adjusted clinical outcomes and computes actual costs and expected resource utilization.
- CMS and HHS Hierarchical Condition Categories (HCCs) are a risk adjustment model used by CMS for the Medicare Advantage population and by HHS for Affordable Care Act (ACA) plans.

Add-on modules

3M Pricer Tables provide the facility-specific variables for all applicable hospitals for calculating reimbursement for multiple providers. 3M Pricer Tables are available for use with all Medicare reimbursement schemes, TRICARE OPPS, and most state Medicaid reimbursement schemes. Contact 3M for more information and the costs to license.
Learn more

Health care is a dynamic industry, and 3M constantly updates its grouping, editing and reimbursement content to meet market needs. While these lists are current at the time of publication, your 3M representative can verify all the latest content additions for you.

For more information on 3M’s grouping solutions, refer to these fact sheets:

- 3M™ Grouper Plus Content Services
- 3M™ Core Grouping Software

For information on available inpatient content, see the 3M inpatient grouping, editing and reimbursement content data sheet.

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