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Version 37.1 of All Patient Refined-Diagnosis Related Group (APR DRG) Implementation

The Department of Human Services (The Department) implemented Version 37.1 of the APR DRG classification system on July 24, 2020 for Medical Assistance (MA) Program enrolled acute care general hospitals that provide services to MA beneficiaries in the Fee-For-Service delivery system. This will affect acute care general inpatient stays with discharge dates on or after April 1, 2020. Below, you will find important tips regarding the transition to Version 37.1 of APR DRG:

Discharge dates:

On July 24, 2020 – claims with a discharge date on or after April 1, 2020 will process using the APR DRG Version 37.1 classification system.

Mass Adjustments:

The Department will begin to mass adjust claims submitted for discharge dates from April 1, 2020 through July 24, 2020 beginning August 3, 2020. These adjustments will be reflected on a future Remittance Advice.

Relative Weight Table:

Relative weights, along with average length of stay, outlier percentages and outlier thresholds for use with APR DRG v37.1 have not changed with this update. They are posted at the following link:

<https://www.dhs.pa.gov/docs/For-Providers/Documents/Regulations%20Handbooks%20Guides%20Manuals/PA%20V37%20Relative%20Weights%20to%20DHS%2001.17.20.pdf>

Additional Resources:

You may contact 3M for information regarding the Department's parameter settings in use with v37.1 of APR DRG.

- 1-888-3M-HELPS or (1-888-364-3577)
- support.3mhis.com

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