



## **Essential Resource Page**

### **Official Government & Regulatory Resources**

1. **Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)** – <https://www.cms.gov>
  - The go-to source for Medicare policies, coverage guidelines, and fee schedules.
2. **Medicare Learning Network (MLN)** – <https://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Medicare-Learning-Network-MLN>
  - Free educational materials, including coding updates, billing guidelines, and compliance tips.
3. **Office of Inspector General (OIG) Compliance Resources** – <https://oig.hhs.gov/compliance/>
  - Work plans, fraud alerts, and compliance guidance for healthcare providers and coders.
4. **National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) Edits** – <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/NationalCorrectCodInitEd>
  - Helps avoid incorrect coding combinations and ensures proper claim submission.
5. **Local Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs)** – <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/Medicare-Administrative-Contractors>
  - Find your region's MAC for local coverage determinations (LCDs), fee schedules, and guidance.
6. **HIPAA & HITECH Act Guidelines** – <https://www.hhs.gov/hipaa>
  - Regulations on patient privacy, security, and electronic transactions.

### **Coding & Reimbursement Resources**

7. **Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) - AMA** – <https://www.ama-assn.org/amaone/cpt-current-procedural-terminology>
  - Official source for CPT codes, guidelines, and updates (subscription required).
8. **ICD-10-CM Official Guidelines for Coding & Reporting** – <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/icd/icd10cm.htm>
  - Official diagnosis coding updates and guidance.
9. **HCPCS Level II Codes (CMS)** – <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/MedHCPCSGenInfo>
  - Essential for DME, drugs, and non-physician services billing.



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### **10. Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (MPFS) – <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/physician-fee-schedule>**

- Find national and local payment rates for professional services.

### **Compliance & Auditing Resources**

#### **11. Health Care Compliance Association (HCCA) – <https://www.hcca-info.org>**

- A key resource for compliance programs and regulatory updates.

#### **12. National Association of Healthcare Revenue Integrity (NAHRI) – <https://nahri.org/>**

- Resources on revenue cycle integrity and compliance in coding and billing.

#### **13. HHS Fraud & Abuse Laws – <https://oig.hhs.gov/compliance/physician-education/fraud-abuse-laws/>**

- Essential information on anti-kickback, Stark Law, and False Claims Act violations.

### **Additional Key Resources**

#### **14. Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs) & National Coverage Determinations (NCDs) – <https://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/overview-and-quick-search.aspx>**

- Find coverage guidelines for specific procedures and services.

#### **15. National Uniform Claim Committee (NUCC) for 1500 Claim Form Guidelines – <https://www.nucc.org/>**

- Guidelines for properly completing CMS-1500 claim forms.

#### **16. National Uniform Billing Committee (NUBC) for UB-04 Guidelines – <https://www.nubc.org/>**

- UB-04 hospital claim form coding and billing guidelines.