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IHCP announces changes to DRG grouper

Effective January 1, 2019, the Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) has selected the 3M All-Patient Refined (APR) Diagnosis-Related Group (DRG), version 35, as the grouper for inpatient DRG assignment. The IHCP will move forward with this methodology change for inpatient stays with dates of discharge on or after January 1, 2019. Public notice of the change will be provided in the *Indiana Register* at least 30 days before the effective date. Any DRG weight and rate updates to be implemented as part of the APR-DRG version 35 migration will be published at least 30 days before implementation.

The current APR-DRG grouper, version 30, will remain in place for inpatient stays with discharge dates before January 1, 2019. Billing procedures for inpatient hospital services will not be affected by this change. Please refer to the *Inpatient Hospital Services* provider reference module and IHCP provider bulletins and banner pages for specific billing instructions.

For information about the APR-DRG software, contact 3M at 1-800-367-2447 or visit 3M Health Information Systems on the 3M website at 3m.com.



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