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IHCP postpones implementation of new DRG grouper to July 1, 2019

In *Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) Bulletin [BT201819](#)*, dated May 8, 2018, the IHCP announced selection of the 3M All-Patient Refined (APR) Diagnosis-Related Group (DRG), version 35, as the new grouper for inpatient DRG assignments. The bulletin established an effective date for implementation of this methodology change of January 1, 2019. The IHCP is postponing implementation of the DRG grouper change to July 1, 2019. The revised effective date will postpone impact on inpatient stays to those with dates of discharge on or after July 1, 2019. This change applies to inpatient stays under both the fee-for-service (FFS) and the managed care delivery systems. Any DRG weight and rate updates to be implemented as part of the move to ARR-DRG version 35 will be published at least 30 days before the new implementation date.

The current APR-DRG grouper, version 30, will remain in place for inpatient stays with discharge dates before July 1, 2019. 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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