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Delayed Implementation of All Patient Refined-Diagnosis Related Group (APR DRG) Versions 40 & 41

The Department of Human Services (The Department) has experienced a delay in implementing Version 40.0 and Version 41.0 of the APR DRG classification system 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 October 1, 2022.

As a result of this delay, The Department will begin to mass adjust claims submitted for discharge dates October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023 for Version 40.0, and October 1, 2023 through February 29, 2024 for Version 41.0 after February 29, 2024.

Relative weights, along with average length of stay, outlier percentages and outlier thresholds for use with APR DRG v40.0, effective retroactively to October 1, 2022 will be posted to the following link:

<https://www.dhs.pa.gov/docs/For-Providers/Documents/Regulations%20Handbooks%20Guides%20Manuals/PA-V40-Relative-Weights-02-16-2024.pdf>

Relative weights, along with average length of stay, outlier percentages and outlier thresholds for use with APR DRG v41.0, effective retroactively to October 1, 2023 will be posted to the following link:

<https://www.dhs.pa.gov/docs/For-Providers/Documents/Regulations%20Handbooks%20Guides%20Manuals/PA-V41-Relative-Weights-02-16-2024.pdf>

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