

# MEDICAID NATIONAL CORRECT CODING INITIATIVE MEDICALLY UNLIKELY EDITS (MUEs)

Medically Unlikely Edits (MUEs) define, for each HCPCS/CPT code, the maximum Units of Service (UOS) that a provider would report under most circumstances for a single beneficiary on a single date of service of service.

The Medicaid NCCI Technical Guidance Manual requires States to implement and use in paying all applicable Medicaid claims (regardless of the DOS), the new quarterly Medicaid NCCI edit files on the first day of every calendar quarter corresponding to the effective date of the files. [Medicaid NCCI Technical Guidance Manual | CMS](#)

Medicaid NCCI Policy Manual [Medicaid NCCI Policy Manual | CMS](#)

Link to [NCCI for Medicaid | CMS](#)

Select the NCCI for Medicaid drop down menu and choose Edit Files

The screenshot displays the CMS.gov website interface. At the top, the CMS.gov logo and navigation links are visible. Below the main navigation bar, a breadcrumb trail indicates the path: Medicare-Medicaid Coordination > National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) > NCCI for Medicaid. A dropdown menu for 'NCCI for Medicaid' is open, showing options: Medicaid NCCI Policy Manual, Correspondence Language Manual, Technical Guidance Manual, and Edit Files (highlighted with a red box). A red arrow points from the text 'Select the NCCI for Medicaid drop down menu and choose Edit Files' to the 'Edit Files' option. The left sidebar contains an 'Announcements' section with a notice about retroactive changes to NCCI PTP edits and a 'Medicaid NCCI Manuals' section. The main content area features a header for 'The Medicaid National Correct Coding Initiative' and a list of links: Replacement Files, Deactivation, Edit Files, MUE Archive, Methodologies, and FAQ Library. The right sidebar includes links for Information and Submitting an Appeal.

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Page opens to Medicaid NCCI Edit files. Current quarter NCCI MUE files are in the Related Downloads section of the page. There are three (3) MUE files utilized:

- Practitioner Services
- Outpatient Services
- Durable Medical Equipment

## Medicaid Change Report Files

The Medicaid Change Report files contain only the changes made in the Medicaid NCCI edit files from the previous calendar quarter. Information on these files is contained in [Change Report File Information \(PDF\)](#).

Medicaid NCCI Change Report (ZIP) - Effective July 1, 2023; Posted Jun. 1, 2023

Medicaid NCCI Change Report (ZIP) - Effective Jan. 1, 2023; Posted Dec. 6, 2022

## Announcements

Please use the 2023 Q3 Edit Files until CMS posts the 2023 Q4 Edit Files.

Previous MUE Edits can be found in the [Medicaid MUE Archive](#).



## Medicaid NCCI Edit Files

CMS posts the complete updated Medicaid National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) edit files for the public on this page at the beginning of each calendar quarter. These replace the Medicaid NCCI edit files from previous calendar quarters.

The presence of an HCPCS/CPT code in a Procedure-to-Procedure (PTP) edit-or a Medically Unlikely Edits (MUEs) value for an HCPCS/CPT code -doesn't necessarily indicate that the code is covered by any or all state Medicaid programs.

**Note:** States cannot use the files posted here for processing and paying Medicaid claims. States must download the NCCI edit files available on the [Regional Information Sharing System portal \(RISSNET\)](#) and must ensure that they or their vendor uses the appropriate Medicaid NCCI edits to adjudicate Medicaid claims.

## How to Access the Files

This page provides links to NCCI Edit files. To download each edit file, just select the link listed below. After you select the desired link, the zip file should download. Each zip file contains both text and Excel file(s) formats.

**Note:** Excel limits the number of rows that can be exported in a single file to 1,048,576 rows. The Practitioner and Outpatient Hospital PTP edit files both contain significantly more rows than that.

To download the complete edit file, save the zip file to your computer and extract the text and Excel file(s).

## Related Downloads

Please use the 2023 Q3 Edit Files until CMS posts the 2023 Q4 Edit Files.

[2023 Q3 NCCI PTP Edits -Practitioner Services](#) -Posted Jun. 1, 2023

[2023 Q3 NCCI PTP Edits -Outpatient Hospital Services](#) -Posted Jun. 1, 2023

[2023 Q3 NCCI PTP Edits -Durable Medical Equipment Services](#) -Posted Jun. 1, 2023

[2023 Q3 NCCI MUE Edits -Practitioner Services](#) -Posted Jun. 1, 2023

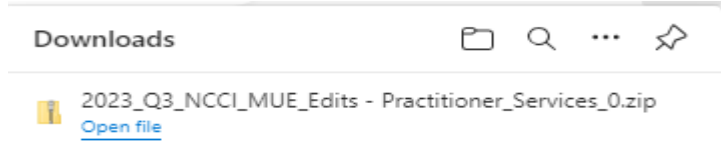
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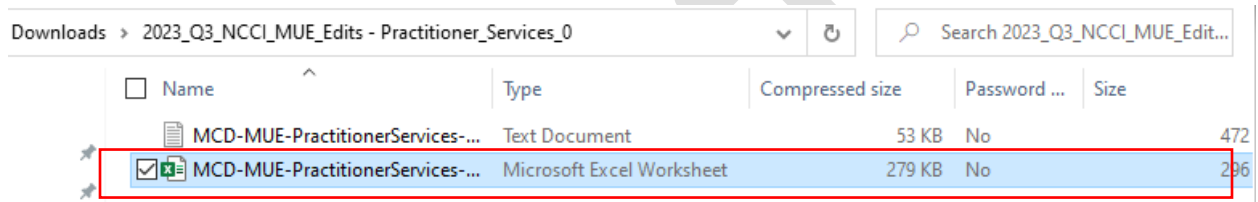
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## NCCI MUE - Practitioner Services

To retrieve the NCCI MUE file for practitioner services download the file.



There will be a Text document and an Excel document. Open the file you prefer. For these instructions the excel document will be used.



File opens and displays the Practitioner Services Medicaid MUE Values effective for the current quarter.

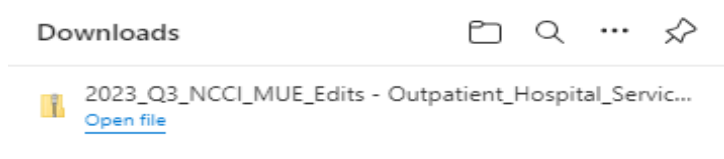
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HCPSCS/CPT Code	Practitioner Services MUE Values	MUE Rationale
0001A	1	Code Descriptor / CPT Instruction
0001U	1	Code Descriptor / CPT Instruction
0002A	1	Code Descriptor / CPT Instruction
0002M	1	Nature of Analyte
0002U	1	Code Descriptor / CPT Instruction
0003A	1	Code Descriptor / CPT Instruction
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0004A	1	Code Descriptor / CPT Instruction

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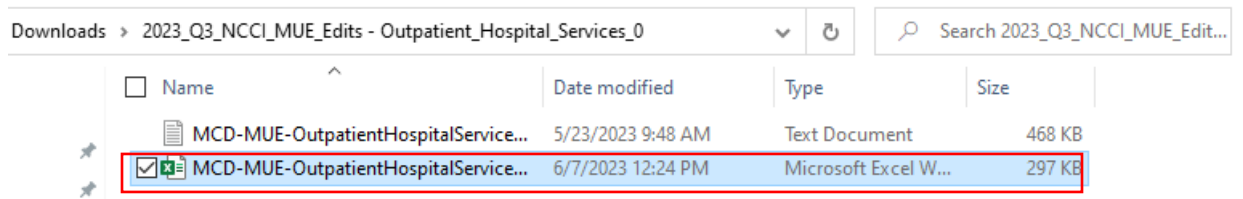
# MEDICAID NATIONAL CORRECT CODING INITIATIVE MEDICALLY UNLIKELY EDITS (MUEs)

## NCCI MUE – Outpatient Hospital Services

To retrieve the NCCI MUE file for outpatient hospital services download the file.



There will be a Text document and an Excel document. Open the file you prefer. For these instructions the excel document will be used.



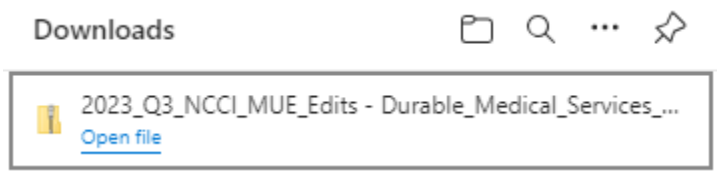
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HCPCS/CPT Code	Outpatient Hospital Services MUE Values	MUE Rationale
0001A	1	Code Descriptor / CPT Instruction
0001U	1	Code Descriptor / CPT Instruction
0002A	1	Code Descriptor / CPT Instruction
0002M	1	Nature of Analyte
0002U	1	Code Descriptor / CPT Instruction
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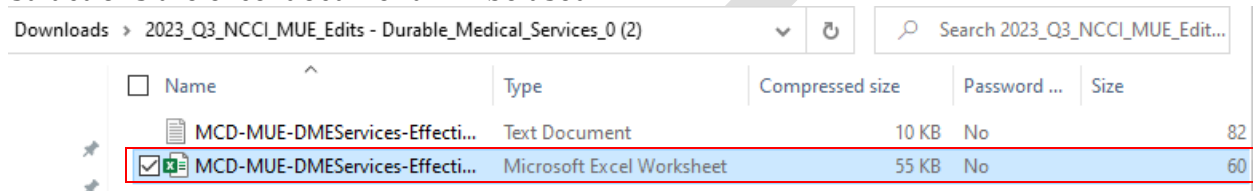
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## NCCI MUE – Durable Medical Equipment

To retrieve the NCCI MUE file for durable medical equipment download the file.



There will be a Text document and an Excel document. Open the file you prefer. For these instructions the excel document will be used.



File opens and displays the Durable Medical Equipment Medicaid MUE Values effective for the current quarter.

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HCPSC/CPT Code	DME Supplier Services MUE Values	MUE Rationale
92551	1	Nature of Service / Procedure
92590	1	Nature of Service / Procedure
92591	1	Nature of Service / Procedure
92592	1	Nature of Service / Procedure
92593	1	Nature of Service / Procedure
92594	1	Nature of Service / Procedure
92595	1	Nature of Service / Procedure
94005	1	CMS Policy
A4210	1	Nature of Equipment

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