

Coding and Reimbursement Digest

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Health policy and economics

SIR FY 2023 IPPS final rule summary
SIR Clinical Labor update comment letter to CMS
Letter to UHC regarding Y-90 SPECT CT policy
Letter to UHC facet joint injections for spinal pain policy



SIR's coding resources

IR revenue cycle and fundamentals on-demand course provides education

to interventional radiologists, IR clinical technologists, and administrators on the revenue cycle. The course teaches you how to apply Medicare policies to IR practices. How different payment methods are used for reimbursement based on your practice type. How devices are bundled into IR procedures or packaged in the overall reimbursement and how your contract with the facility and payors plays a role in reimbursement for the services you provide. As well as a high-level overview of how insurances determine policy around coverage, prior authorization, coding, payer edits, denials, and appeals. Self-assessment CME and participation credits can be converted into CEUs for medical coders with RCC or RCCIR credentials after completion of the course. Purchase this valuable course here.

Carrier advocacy coverage letters (SIR member-only)

SIR's carrier advocacy workgroup developed evidence-based coverage letters to help our members overturn carrier policy, denied authorizations, and denied claims. Log in to download the letters

RVS Update Committee (RUC)

Preparation for the Sept.21-24,2022 RUC meeting is nearing completion. The recommendations approved at the Sept. RUC meeting will be relayed to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid for final appraisal and execution in the 2024 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule.

CPT® Editorial Panel

Provisions for the Sept.15-17,2022 AMA CPT® Editorial Panel meeting are complete. A <u>summary of panel actions</u> can be found on the AMA's website two weeks after the meeting.

Coding application and guidance (SIR member-only)

Have a coding question? Click here to submit your question to our coding team.