

# Coding and Reimbursement Digest

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## Health policy and economics

[Robot-assisted needle positioning in CT-guided procedures improves accuracy, reduces repeats](#)

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The Society of Interventional Radiology will offer a one-day in-person revenue cycle management course in Phoenix on Mar 3, 2023. The course will provide in-depth coding, billing, and revenue cycle education to support financially sound performance improvements by some of the top Physicians and leaders in interventional radiology. This CME and RCCB CEU accredited course is designed to help IRs, and their practice administrators improve front, middle, and back-end revenue cycle processes. [Click here](#) to register online, or you can register in person at the event.

## Percutaneous Transluminal Angioplasty (PTA)

On Feb 10, 2023, the Society of Interventional Radiology (SIR) submitted a [comment letter](#) to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) for the reconsideration of national coverage determination (NCD) 20.7 for percutaneous transluminal angioplasty (PTA) of the carotid artery concurrent with stenting.

## COVID-19 Public Health Emergency ending May 11, 2023

On January 9, 2023, The Biden administration announced that the COVID-19 public health emergency, which has been in place since Jan 2020, is set to end on May 11. "The Trump Administration declared the COVID-19 national and public health emergencies (PHE) in 2020. They are set to expire on Mar 1 and Apr 11, respectively. The Administration plans to extend the emergency declarations to May 11 and end both emergencies on that date," the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) said in a statement. See the [HHS fact sheet](#) for more information on how this could affect you.

## SIR 2023 Annual Coding Webinar-Thursday, Feb 15, 2023

This year our webinar provided an overview of interventional radiology coding and billing changes for CY 2023 and reviewed the commonly asked questions for 2022. You may access this webinar soon on [SIR Now](#).

## CPT® Editorial Panel and RVS Update Committee

SIR attended the AMA CPT® Editorial Panel in Feb 2023 and will attend RVS Update Committee (RUC) meeting on Apr 26-29, 2023. Stay tuned to the [SIR CPT®-RUC process page](#) for updates.

## Carrier advocacy coverage letters (Free for SIR members)

SIR's carrier advocacy workgroup has developed evidence-based coverage letters to help our members overturn carrier policy, denied authorizations, and denied claims. Visit the [IR Business Center](#) to download your copy today.

**Have a coding question?** [Click here](#) to submit your question to our coding team.