



# Data Dictionary: Article Download Database

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#### **IMPORTANT NOTES**

#### Please note the following:

The Article tables contain Draft articles. These Draft articles can be identified by using the DISPLAY\_ID field. See the dictionaries below for more information.

Any time information included in DateTime fields is in UTC.

## ARTICLE

## **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the Article ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A". The exception is Draft Articles which use the DISPLAY_ID field explained below.
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an Article each time the Article is edited, approved or reactivated.
article_type	Article type system identifier.
title	A one-line description of the topic or subject matter of the article.
article_pub_date	The date the article was published.
article_eff_date	The date the article becomes/became effective OR the date by which the contractor expects providers to begin to comply with the coverage/coding rules contained in the article.
article_end_date	The date the article was retired or replaced by a newer version. This field is optional.
description	This is the body of the article.
other_comments	This field can be used to enter additional information about the article that is not included in other fields. This field is optional.
sad_url	The URL to the narrative on the contractor's website that describes the process the contractor used to make a detailed article. This field is only applicable for SAD Exclusion List articles.

Variable Name	Description
thirty_percent	The CPT/HCPCS master coding table currently contains both the long and short descriptions. The short descriptions should be displayed if more than 30% of the CPT section codes are used in the Article. Otherwise, the long CPT descriptions should be displayed. "Y" denotes "Yes, the short descriptions will display." "U" denotes "Undefined" and "N" denotes "No". For both U and N, the long descriptions will display.
status	Status of an Article version. "A" denotes the version is approved; "R" denotes the version is retired. If the last version of an Article has a status of "A", then the Article is considered approved. If the last version of an Article has a status of "R", then the Article is considered retired.
last_updated	Date the version was created. A new version is created for an Article each time the Article is edited, approved or reactivated.
history_exp	An explanation of the revisions made to the article. This field is optional.
key_article	If "Y," this designates an article to be the primary source of information relating to a specific topic or subject matter.
icd9_covered_para	The introductory paragraph associated with the ICD-9 diagnosis codes that are covered.
icd9_noncovered_para	The introductory paragraph associated with the ICD-9 diagnosis codes that are not covered.
revenue_para	The introductory paragraph associated with the Revenue codes that are covered.

Variable Name	Description
article_rev_end_date	The date on which a particular revision of the article is no longer effective. This field is optional. This field will be automatically filled-in by the system if a revised article is itself subsequently revised or if a revised article is retired without a subsequent revision.
source_article_id	The Article ID of the Original ICD-9 Article that the ICD-10 Article was based off of.
date_retired	The date on which the article was retired.
keywords	A list of words that do not appear anywhere else in the article that may be important for search purposes.
icd10_doc	Denotes whether an Article has ICD-10 Codes or not. The value is 'N' if it does not (in which case, it has ICD-9 codes), and 'Y' if it does.
add_icd10_info	Additional ICD-10 information.

Variable Name	Description
cms_cov_policy	The CMS National Coverage Determination or Coverage Provision. This field is optional.
display_id	The ID for Draft Articles is derived from this field by adding the prefix "DA". The Article_ID field remains the system identifier for Draft Articles.  Draft Articles are identified by using this
	field. The presence of a value indicates the Article is Draft; otherwise it is Final.

#### **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version

#### **Usage**

This is the primary Article table and contains one record for each Article. The record included is the most recent version (i.e., the max version) of the Article that existed at the time of the download; historical versions are not included. Historical versions can only be accessed directly through the Medicare Coverage Database (MCD).

ARTICLE\_TYPE\_LOOKUP

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_type_id	Article type system identifier.
description	Article type description.
last_updated	Date the article type description was last updated.

## **Primary Keys**

article\_type\_id

#### **Usage**

This table contains the universe of article types. Join from table ARTICLE, ARTICLE\_X\_CODE\_TABLE or ARTICLE\_X\_CONTRACTOR on article\_type to retrieve the description for an article type.

## ARTICLE\_X\_CODE\_TABLE

## **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the Article ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an Article each time the Article is edited, approved or reactivated.
article_type	Article type system identifier.
code_table_row	Number that indicates what row in the code table this code should occupy.
brand_name	Brand name description associated with the code. This is entered by the contractor. This field is required for SAD Exclusion List articles (except FIs); otherwise it is optional.
eff_date	Beginning effective date for the code. This field is required for SAD Exclusion List articles (except FIs); otherwise it is optional.
end_date	Ending effective date for the code. This field is required for SAD Exclusion List articles (except FIs); otherwise it is optional.
comments	Comments associated with the code as it relates to this article. This is entered by contractor. This field is required for SAD Exclusion List articles (except FIs); otherwise it is optional.
hcpc_code_id	Five-digit CPT/HCPCS code; also used as system identifier. This field is required for SAD Exclusion List articles (except FIs); otherwise it is optional.

Variable Name	Description
hcpc_code_version	CPT/HCPCS code version number. With each quarterly (or other) CPT/HCPCS code update: 1) version numbers for all CPT/HCPCS codes are incremented by one, 2) for any article impacted by the update, a new Article version is automatically created and, 3) the version number of the CPT/HCPCS codes on each impacted Article are automatically updated to the new version. This field is required for SAD Exclusion List articles (except FIs); otherwise it is optional.
long_description	Long description of CPT/HCPCS code.
short_description	Short description of CPT/HCPCS code. This field is optional.
last_updated	Date the code table row was added or modified.

## **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version code\_table\_type code\_table\_row

## Usage

Join from table ARTICLE on article\_id, article\_version to retrieve the code tables for articles (Article and SAD Exclusion List).

#### ARTICLE\_X\_BILL\_CODE

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the Article ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an Article each time the Article is edited, approved or reactivated.
bill_code_id	Bill type code; also used as system identifier.
bill_code_version	Bill type code version number.
description	Bill type code description.
last_updated	Date the bill type code was added to the Article, or modified in the Article.

#### **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version bill\_code\_id bill\_code\_version

## Usage

Join from table ARTICLE on article\_id, article\_version to retrieve the bill type codes for an Article.

#### ARTICLE\_X\_REVENUE\_CODE

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the Article ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an Article each time the Article is edited, approved or reactivated.
revenue_code_id	Revenue code; also used as system identifier.
revenue_code_version	Revenue code version number.
range	If the user enters the revenue codes as a range, then this field denotes what position the code is in that range. "B" denotes beginning of range. "E" denotes end of range. "M" denotes any other code in that range. If the user enters a revenue code as an "X" code, then this field denotes the range position of the code as well. "X" denotes beginning of range. "Z" denotes end of range. "Y" denotes any other code in that range. If the user enters a distinct code versus a range, then this field would contain an "N".
description	Revenue code description
last_updated	Date the revenue code was added to the Article, or modified in the Article.

## **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version revenue\_code\_id revenue\_code\_version range

## Usage

Join from table ARTICLE on article\_id, article\_version to retrieve the revenue codes for an Article.

#### ARTICLE\_X\_PRIMARY\_JURISDICTION

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the Article ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an Article each time the Article is edited, approved or reactivated.
state_id	State system identifier.
last_updated	Date the state was added to the Article.

#### **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version state id

#### **Usage**

Join from table ARTICLE on article\_id, article\_version to retrieve the primary jurisdiction for an Article.

**Important!** If the Article version has more than one row in the ARTICLE\_X\_CONTRACTOR table, use the CONTRACTOR\_JURISDICTION table. However, if it only has one row (i.e., the article is only associated to one contractor), then use the ARTICLE\_X\_PRIMARY\_JURISDICTION table.

STATE\_X\_REGION

## **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
state_id	State system identifier.
region_id	CMS region system identifier.

## **Primary Keys**

state\_id

## Usage

Join from table ARTICLE\_X\_PRIMARY\_JURISDICTION or ARTICLE\_X\_SECONDARY\_JURISDICTION on state\_id to retrieve the region assignment for a state.

REGION\_LOOKUP

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
region_id	CMS region system identifier.
description	CMS region description.

## **Primary Keys**

region\_id

## Usage

This table contains the universe of CMS regions. Join from table STATE\_X\_REGION on region\_id or table CONTRACTOR on oversight\_rgn to retrieve the description for a region.

DMERC\_REGION\_LOOKUP

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
region_id	DMERC region system identifier.
description	DMERC region description.
psc_description	DME PSC region description.
mac_description	DME MAC region description.
super_mac_description	A and B MAC/A and B and HHH MAC region description

## **Primary Keys**

region\_id

#### Usage

This table contains the universe of DMERC regions. Join from table CONTRACTOR on dmerc\_rgn to retrieve the description for a region.

STATE\_LOOKUP

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
state_id	State system identifier.
state_abbrev	State abbreviation.
description	State name.

## **Primary Keys**

state id

#### **Usage**

This table contains the universe of states. Join from table ARTICLE\_X\_PRIMARY\_JURISDICTION, ARTICLE\_X\_SECONDARY\_JURISDICTION, CONTRACTOR or CONTRACTOR\_JURISDICTION on state\_id to retrieve the abbreviation and name for a state.

#### ARTICLE\_X\_CONTRACTOR

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the Article ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an Article each time the Article is edited, approved or reactivated.
article_type	Article type system identifier.
contractor_id	Contractor system identifier.
contractor_type_id	Contractor type system identifier.
contractor_version	Contractor version number.
last_updated	Date the contractor was added to the Article.

#### **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version contractor\_id contractor\_type\_id contractor\_version

#### **Usage**

Join from table ARTICLE on article\_id, article\_version to retrieve the contractor for an Article.

**Important!** An article can be associated with multiple contractors. If so, a particular article\_id and version\_id pair will have multiple rows in this table, one per associated contractor\_id.

If the Article version has more than one row in the ARTICLE\_X\_CONTRACTOR table, use the CONTRACTOR\_JURISDICTION table. However, if it only has one row (i.e., the article is only associated to one contractor), then use the ARTICLE X PRIMARY JURISDICTION table.

## CONTRACTOR

## **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
contractor_id	Contractor system identifier.
contractor_type_id	Contractor type system identifier.
contractor_version	Contractor version number.
contractor_bus_name	The name under which the contractor is "doing business".
contractor_number	The contractor number assigned by CMS.
dmerc_rgn	CMS region system identifier denoting the DMERC region to which the article applies. This field only applies to DMERC contractors.
address1	First line of the mailing address for the contractor.
address2	Second line of the mailing address for the contractor. This field is optional.
address3	Third line of the mailing address for the contractor. This field is optional.
city	City in the mailing address for the contractor.
state_id	State system identifier denoting state in the mailing address for the contractor.
zipcode	Zip code in the mailing address for the contractor.
phone	Phone number for the contractor.
fax	Fax number for the contractor. This field is optional.
status	Status of contractor; "A" denotes approved, "D" denotes deleted.
last_updated	Date the contractor information was last updated.
url	Web address for the contractor. This field is optional.

Variable Name	Description
email	Email address for the contractor.
ignore	If it is set to Y, then ignore the contractor.
status_flag	Retired status of contractor: "N" denotes retired, and "Y" denotes not retired.
cmd_name	Name of the Contract Medical Director.
cmd_title	Title of the Contract Medical Director.

## **Primary Keys**

contractor\_id contractor\_type\_id contractor\_version

#### **Usage**

Join from table ARTICLE\_X\_CONTRACTOR on contractor\_id, contractor\_type\_id, contractor\_version to retrieve the information for a contractor.

#### CONTRACTOR\_JURISDICTION

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
contractor_id	Contractor system identifier.
contractor_type_id	Contractor type system identifier.
contractor_version	Contractor version number.
state_id	State system identifier.
last_updated	Date the state was linked to the contractor.
active_date	Begin Date effective for the Jurisdiction States.
term_date	End Date effective for the Jurisdiction States.

#### **Primary Keys**

contractor\_id contractor\_type\_id contractor\_version state\_id

#### Usage

Join from table CONTRACTOR on contractor\_id, contractor\_type\_id, contractor\_version to retrieve the states that belong to a contractor's jurisdiction.

Important! If the Article version has more than one row in the ARTICLE\_X\_CONTRACTOR table, use the CONTRACTOR\_JURISDICTION table. However, if it only has one row (i.e., the article is only associated to one contractor), then use the ARTICLE X PRIMARY JURISDICTION table.

#### CONTRACTOR\_TYPE\_LOOKUP

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
contractor_type_id	Contractor type system identifier.
description	Contractor type description.

#### **Primary Keys**

contractor\_type\_id

#### **Usage**

This table contains the universe of contractor types. Join from table CONTRACTOR on contractor type\_id to retrieve the description for a contractor type.

#### CONTRACTOR\_SUBTYPE\_LOOKUP

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
contractor_subtype_id	Contractor subtype system identifier.
description	Contractor subtype description.

#### **Primary Keys**

contractor\_subtype\_id

#### **Usage**

This table contains the universe of contractor subtypes. Join from table CONTRACTOR on contractor\_subtype\_id to retrieve the description for a contractor subtype.

#### CONTRACTOR\_OVERSIGHT

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
contractor_id	Contractor system identifier.
contractor_type_id	Contractor type system identifier.
contractor_version	Contractor version number.
region_id	CMS region system identifier.
last_updated	Date the contractor oversight region was last updated.

#### **Primary Keys**

contractor\_id contractor\_type\_id contractor\_version region\_id

## **Usage**

Join from table CONTRACTOR on contractor\_id, contractor\_type\_id, contractor\_version to retrieve the information for a contractor or table REGION\_LOOKUP to retrieve the description for a region.

## ARTICLE\_X\_HCPC\_CODE

## **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the Article ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an Article each time the Article is edited, approved or reactivated.
hcpc_code_id	Five-digit CPT/HCPCS code; also used as system identifier.
hcpc_code_version	CPT/HCPCS code version number. With each quarterly CPT/HCPCS code update: 1) version numbers for all CPT/HCPCS codes are incremented by one, 2) a new Article version is automatically created and, 3) the version number of the CPT/HCPCS codes on each Article is automatically updated to the new version.
hcpc_code_group	Identification number for the section of CPT/HCPCS codes created by the user.
range	If the user enters the CPT/HCPCS codes as a range, then this field denotes what position the code is in that range. "B" denotes beginning of range. "E" denotes end of range. "M" denotes any other code in that range. If the user enters a distinct code versus a range, then this field would contain an "N".
long_description	Long description of CPT/HCPCS code.
short_description	Short description of CPT/HCPCS code. This field is optional.
last_updated	Date the CPT/HCPCS code was added to the Article, or modified in the Article.

## **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version hcpc\_code\_id hcpc\_code\_version hcpc\_code\_group

#### Usage

Join from table ARTICLE on article\_id, article\_version to retrieve the CPT/HCPCS codes for an Article.

ARTICLE\_X\_HCPC\_CODE\_GROUP

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the Article ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an Article each time the Article is edited, approved or reactivated.
hcpc_code_group	Identification number for the section of CPT/HCPCS codes created by the user.
paragraph	Description of CPT/HCPCS code section entered by user. This field is optional.
last_updated	Date the CPT/HCPCS code section was added to the Article, or modified in the Article.

## **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version hcpc\_code\_group

#### Usage

Join from table ARTICLE\_X\_HCPC\_CODE on article\_id, article\_version, hcpc\_code\_group to retrieve the description for a CPT/HCPCS code section.

#### ARTICLE\_FUTURE\_RETIRE

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the Article ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
retire_dt	Future date on which the Article will be retired.

## **Primary Keys**

article\_id

#### **Usage**

Join from table ARTICLE on article\_id to determine whether or not an Article will be retired in the future and on what date it would be retired.

UPDATE\_PERIOD

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
period_id	Update period system identifier.
begin_date	Beginning date of period.
end_date	Ending date of period.

#### **Primary Keys**

period\_id

## Usage

Join from table ARTICLE and compare the last\_updated field against the begin\_date and end\_date to determine for which period a particular version of an Article first displayed.

#### ARTICLE\_RELATED\_DOCUMENTS

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the Article ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an Article each time the Article is edited, approved or reactivated.
related_num	Document counter.
r_article_id	This field is not used for this table.
r_article_version	This field is not used for this table.
r_lcd_id	Only one related document is indicated on each row. If the related document is an LCD, then the LCD_ID for that LCD is indicated in this field.
r_lcd_version	The version of the related LCD.
r_contractor_id	The contractor of the related LCD.
last_updated	Date the related document was added to the Article.

## **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version related\_num

## Usage

Join from table ARTICLE on article\_id, article\_version to retrieve the documents related to a particular Article.

## ARTICLE\_RELATED\_SOURCE\_ICD9

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the Article ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an Article each time the Article is edited, approved or reactivated.
related_num	Document counter.
source_article_id	This field is not used for this table.
last_updated	Date the related document was added to the Article.

## **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version related\_num

#### **Usage**

Join from table ARTICLE on article\_id, article\_version to retrieve the original ICD-9 Document IDs for a particular Article.

#### ARTICLE\_X\_REVISION\_HISTORY

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the ARTICLE ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an article each time the article is edited, approved or reactivated.
rev_hist_num	Revision History number.
rev_hist_date	The date the revisions are effective
rev_hist_exp	An explanation of the revisions made to the policy.
last_updated	Date the revision history information was added to the article.

## **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version rev\_hist\_num

## Usage

Join from table ARTICLE on article\_id, article\_version to retrieve the revision history for a particular article.

#### ARTICLE\_X\_URLS

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the ARTICLE ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an article each time the article is edited, approved or reactivated.
url_type_id	URL type system identifier.
url_id	The unique identifier for the URL for the associated article
url	The URL to the document.
url_name	The document's name.
sort_order	The order in which the URLs should appear on the article.
last_updated	Date the revision history information was added to the article.
url_description	Extra information about the URL

## **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version url\_type\_id url\_id

## Usage

Join from table ARTICLE on article\_id, article\_version to retrieve the URLs for a particular article.

ARTICLE\_URL\_TYPE\_LOOKUP

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
url_type_id	URL type system identifier.
description	URL type description.
sort_order	The order in which the URL types should appear on the Article.
last_updated	Date the URL type description was last updated.

## **Primary Keys**

url\_type\_id

#### **Usage**

This table contains the universe of URL types. Join from table ARTICLE\_X\_URLS, on url\_type\_id to retrieve the description for an URL type.

## ARTICLE\_X\_ICD10\_COVERED

## **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the Article ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an Article each time the Article is edited, approved or reactivated.
icd10_code_id	ICD-10-CM diagnosis code; also used as system identifier.
icd10_code_version	ICD-10-CM diagnosis code version number. With each annual (or other) ICD-10-CM code update: 1) version numbers for all ICD-10-CM codes are incremented by one, 2) for any article impacted by the update, a new Article version is automatically created and, 3) the version number of the ICD-10-CM codes on each impacted Article are automatically updated to the new version.
icd10_covered_group	Identification number for the section of ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes created by the user.
range	If the user enters the ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes as a range, then this field denotes what position the code is in that range. "B" denotes beginning of range. "E" denotes end of range. "M" denotes any other code in that range. If the user enters a distinct code versus a range, then this field would contain an "N".
sort_order	The sorting order of the ICD-10-CM codes.
description	Description of ICD-10-CM diagnosis code.
last_updated	Date the ICD-10-CM diagnosis code was added to the Article, or modified in the article.

asterisk	A value in this field indicates if there is an explanation associated with the ICD-10-CM diagnosis code section. A "Y" indicates that explanation text applies to the code and a "N" indicates that it doesn't. The actual explanation text is contained in the icd10 covered ast field in the
	ARTICLE_X_ICD10_COVERED_GROUP table.

# **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version icd10\_code\_id icd10\_code\_version

### **Usage**

Join from table Article on article\_id, article\_version to retrieve the ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes that are covered for an Article.

# ARTICLE\_X\_ICD10\_NONCOVERED

# **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the Article ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an Article each time the Article is edited, approved or reactivated.
icd10_code_id	ICD-10-CM diagnosis code; also used as system identifier.
icd10_code_version	ICD-10-CM diagnosis code version number. With each annual ICD-10-CM code update: 1) version numbers for all ICD-10-CM codes are incremented by one, 2) for any article impacted by the update, a new Article version is automatically created and, 3) the version number of the ICD-10-CM codes on each impacted Article are automatically updated to the new version.
icd10_noncovered_group	Identification number for the section of ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes created by the user.
range	If the user enters the ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes as a range, then this field denotes what position the code is in that range. "B" denotes beginning of range. "E" denotes end of range. "M" denotes any other code in that range. If the user enters a distinct code versus a range, then this field would contain an "N".
sort_order	The sorting order of the ICD-10-CM codes.
description	Description of ICD-10-CM diagnosis code.

 Date the ICD-10-CM diagnosis code was added to the Article, or modified in the Article.
Article.

# **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version icd10\_code\_id icd10\_code\_version

### **Usage**

Join from table Article on article\_id, article\_version to retrieve the ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes that are not covered for an Article.

# ARTICLE\_X\_ICD10\_PCS\_CODE

# **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the Article ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an Article each time the Article is edited, approved or reactivated.
icd10_pcs_code_id	ICD-10-PCS diagnosis code; also used as system identifier.
icd10_pcs_code_version	ICD-10-PCS diagnosis code version number. With each annual (or other) ICD-10-CM code update: 1) version numbers for all ICD-10-PCS codes are incremented by one, 2) for any article impacted by the update, a new Article version is automatically created and, 3) the version number of the ICD-10-PCS codes on each impacted Article are automatically updated to the new version.
icd10_pcs_code_group	Identification number for the section of ICD-10-PCS diagnosis codes created by the user.
range	If the user enters the ICD-10-PCS diagnosis codes as a range, then this field denotes what position the code is in that range. "B" denotes beginning of range. "E" denotes end of range. "M" denotes any other code in that range. If the user enters a distinct code versus a range, then this field would contain an "N".
sort_order	The sorting order of the ICD-10-PCS codes.
description	Description of ICD-10-PCS diagnosis code.
last_updated	Date the ICD-10-PCS diagnosis code was added to the Article, or modified in the article.

# **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version icd10\_pcs\_code\_id icd10\_pcs\_code\_version

### **Usage**

Join from table Article on article\_id, article\_version to retrieve the ICD-10-PCS diagnosis codes that are covered for an Article.

### ARTICLE\_X\_ICD10\_COVERED\_GROUP

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the Article ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an Article each time the Article is edited, approved or reactivated.
icd10_covered_group	Identification number for the section of ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes created by the user.
paragraph	The introductory paragraph associated with an ICD-10-CM diagnosis code section. This field is optional.
last_updated	Date the ICD-10-CM diagnosis code section was added to the Article, or modified in the Article.
icd10_covered_ast	The explanation supporting the asterisk (*) associated with an ICD-10-CM diagnosis code section. This field is optional.

## **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version icd10\_covered\_group

## **Usage**

Join from table ARTICLE\_X\_ICD10\_COVERED on article\_id, article\_version, icd10\_covered\_group to retrieve the description for an ICD-10-CM diagnosis code section.

### ARTICLE\_X\_ICD10\_NONCOVERED\_GROUP

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the Article ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an Article each time the Article is edited, approved or reactivated.
icd10_noncovered_group	Identification number for the section of ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes created by the user.
paragraph	The introductory paragraph associated with an ICD-10-CM diagnosis code section. This field is optional.
last_updated	Date the ICD-10-CM diagnosis code was added to the Article, or modified in the Article.

# **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version icd10 noncovered group

## **Usage**

Join from table ARTICLE\_X\_ICD10\_NONCOVERED on article\_id, article\_version, icd10\_noncovered\_group to retrieve the description for an ICD-10-CM diagnosis code section.

ARTICLE\_X\_ICD10\_PCS\_CODE\_GROUP

### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the Article ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an Article each time the Article is edited, approved or reactivated.
icd10_pcs_code_group	Identification number for the section of ICD-10-PCS diagnosis codes created by the user.
paragraph	The introductory paragraph associated with an ICD-10-PCS diagnosis code section. This field is optional.
last_updated	Date the ICD-10-PCS diagnosis code section was added to the Article, or modified in the Article.

# **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version icd10 pcs code group

## Usage

Join from table ARTICLE\_X\_ICD10\_PCS\_CODE on article\_id, article\_version, icd10\_pcs\_code\_group to retrieve the description for an ICD-10-PCS diagnosis code section.

# ARTICLE\_X\_RESPONSE\_TO\_COMMENT

### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the ARTICLE ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an article each time the article is edited, approved or reactivated.
rtc_num	The unique identifier for the Comments and Responses for the associated article
comment	The comment.
response	The response to the comment.
last_updated	Date the revision history information was added to the article.

# **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version rtc\_num

## **Usage**

Join from table ARTICLE on article\_id, article\_version to retrieve the Comments and Responses to Comments for a particular article.

### ARTICLE\_X\_STICKY\_NOTE

### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the ARTICLE ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an article each time the article is edited, approved or reactivated.
sticky_note_version	The version number of the sticky note for the associated article
sticky_note	A note explaining a change in a particular article version after it was published.  Notes are managed separately for each Article version.
sticky_note_dt	Date this version of the sticky note was last updated.
sticky_note_posting_dt	Date this version of the sticky note was posted to the MCD.

## **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version sticky\_note\_version

# Usage

Join from table ARTICLE on article\_id, article\_version to retrieve the sticky notes for a particular article.

### ARTICLE\_X\_HCPC\_MODIFIER

### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the Article ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an Article each time the Article is edited, approved or reactivated.
hcpc_modifier_code_id	CPT/HCPCS Modifier code; also used as system identifier.
hcpc_modifier_code_version	CPT/HCPCS Modifier code version number. With each quarterly CPT/HCPCS Modifier code update: 1) version numbers for all CPT/HCPCS Modifier codes are incremented by one, 2) a new Article version is automatically created and, 3) the version number of the CPT/HCPCS Modifier codes on each Article is automatically updated to the new version.
hcpc_modifier_group	Identification number for the section of CPT/HCPCS Modifier codes created by the user.
description	Description of CPT/HCPCS Modifier code.
last_updated	Date the CPT/HCPCS Modifier code was added to the Article, or modified in the Article.

# **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version hcpc\_modifier\_code\_id hcpc\_modifier\_code\_version hcpc\_modifier\_group

# Usage

Join from table ARTICLE on article\_id, article\_version to retrieve the CPT/HCPCS Modifier codes for an Article.

### ARTICLE\_X\_HCPC\_MODIFIER\_GROUP

#### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the Article ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an Article each time the Article is edited, approved or reactivated.
hcpc_modifier_group	Identification number for the section of CPT/HCPCS Modifier codes created by the user.
paragraph	Description of CPT/HCPCS Modifier code section entered by user. This field is optional.
last_updated	Date the CPT/HCPCS Modifier code section was added to the Article, or modified in the Article.

# **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version hcpc modifier group

## **Usage**

Join from table ARTICLE\_X\_HCPC\_MODIFIER on article\_id, article\_version, hcpc\_modifier\_group to retrieve the description for a CPT/HCPCS Modifier code section.

### ARTICLE\_X\_OTHER\_CODING\_GROUP

### **Table Structure**

Variable Name	Description
article_id	Article system identifier; the Article ID is derived from this identifier by adding the prefix "A".
article_version	Article version number. A new version is created for an Article each time the Article is edited, approved or reactivated.
other_coding_group	Identification number for the section of Other Coding Information created by the user.
paragraph	Description of Other Coding Information section entered by user. This field is optional.
codes	Codes entered in the Other Coding Information section entered by user. This field is optional.
last_updated	Date the Other Coding Information section was added to the Article, or modified in the Article.

# **Primary Keys**

article\_id article\_version other\_coding\_group

# Usage

Join from table ARTICLE on article\_id, article\_version to retrieve the Other Coding Information for a particular article.