



Keystone First

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Keystone First's APR-DRG Transition from Version 33 to Version 34

Keystone First will retroactively transition from All Patient Refined Diagnosis Related Groups (APR-DRG) version 33 to version 34 in conjunction with the Pennsylvania Medical Assistance Fee-for-Service Program. Version 34 will apply to claims with discharge dates of service on or after October 1, 2016.

History: On January 27, 2017, the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services (DHS) replaced APR-DRG version 33 with version 34 for inpatient fee-for-service claims with discharge dates of service on or after October 1, 2016. The purpose of the update was to implement the most current APR-DRG version.

In accordance with DHS's update, Keystone First will begin processing claims with version 34 any time between March 23, 2017, and April 3, 2017. Mass reprocessing of claims submitted for discharge dates on or after October 1, 2016, will begin on April 3, 2017, continuing through the months of April and May 2017. Any adjustments will be reflected on future remittance advice.

Should you have any questions about this communication, please contact your Provider Account Executive.