



How to create links for the Medicare Coverage Database (MCD)

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Quick Links for Medicare Coverage Database (MCD) Details Pages

The following table provides blank template links that only contain the required fields. If you wish to view additional parameters used please refer to the Advanced Medicare Coverage Database (MCD) Details Pages Parameters.

Please replace the “???” in the Example URL with the appropriate values.

Table 1 Quick Links for Medicare Coverage Database (MCD) Details Pages

Page	Example URL
Local Coverage Article Details	http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/article-details.aspx?articleId=???&ContrId=???
Local Coverage Determination (LCD) Details	http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/lcd-details.aspx?LCDId=???&ContrId=???
Medicare Evidence Development and Coverage Advisory Committee (MEDCAC) Meeting Details	http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/medcac-meeting-details.aspx?MEDCACId=???
National Coverage Analysis (NCA) Details	http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/nca-details.aspx?NCAId=???
Coding Analysis for Labs (CAL) Details	http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/cal-details.aspx?CALId=???
National Coverage Determination (NCD) Details	http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/ncd-details.aspx?NCDId=???
Technology Assessment (TA) Details	http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/technology-assessments-details.aspx?TAId=???
Medicare Coverage Document Details	http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/medicare-coverage-document-details.aspx?MCDId=???
Coding Analysis for Labs (CAL) Decision Memo	http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/cal-decision-memo.aspx?CALId=???
Coding Analysis for Labs (CAL) Proposed Decision Memo	http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/cal-proposed-decision-memo.aspx?CALId=???
Coding Analysis for Labs (CAL) Tracking Sheet	http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/cal-tracking-sheet.aspx?CALId=???

Coding Analysis for Labs (CAL) View Public Comments	http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/cal-view-public-comments.aspx?CALId=???
Medicare Coverage Documents View Public Comments	http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/mcd-view-public-comments.aspx?MCDId=???
National Coverage Analysis (NCA) Decision Memo	http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/nca-decision-memo.aspx?NCAId=???
National Coverage Analysis (NCA) Proposed Decision Memo	http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/nca-proposed-decision-memo.aspx?NCAId=???
National Coverage Analysis (NCA) Tracking Sheet	http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/nca-tracking-sheet.aspx?NCAId=???
National Coverage Analysis (NCA) View Public Comments	http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/nca-view-public-comments.aspx?NCAId=???
Submit Public Comment	http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/submit-public-comment.aspx?DocID=???&DocType=???
Advanced Search	*Please refer to the Advanced Search section on Page 11
Local Coverage Article List	http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/indexes/article-list.aspx?Cntrctr=???
Local Coverage Determination (LCD) List	http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/indexes/lcd-list.aspx?Cntrctr=???

Advanced Links for Medicare Coverage Database (MCD) Details Pages

Page: Local Coverage Article Details

URL: /medicare-coverage-database/details/article-details.aspx

Example URL: <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/article-details.aspx?articleId=48896&ver=66&ContrId=213&ContrVer=1>

Table 2 Article Details Page Parameter Details

Name	Purpose	Required?	Comments
articleId	This is the ID of the article.	Yes	

ver	This is the version of the article.	No	If no value is specified, this will return the latest (max) version.
ContrId	This is the contractor ID of the article.	Yes*	*If no value is specified, ContrNum is required.
ContrNum	This is the contractor number of the article.	Yes*	*If no value is specified, ContrId is required.
ContrVer	This is the contractor version of the article.	No	

Page: Local Coverage Determination (LCD) Details

URL: /medicare-coverage-database/details/lcd-details.aspx

Example URL: <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/lcd-details.aspx?LCDId=30555&ContrId=213&ver=7&ContrVer=1>

Table 3 LCD Details Page Parameter Details

Name	Purpose	Required?	Comments
LCDId	This is the ID of the LCD.	Yes	
ContrId	This is the contractor ID of the LCD.	Yes*	*If no value is specified, ContrNum is required.
ContrNum	This is the contractor ID of the LCD.	Yes*	*If no value is specified, ContrId is required.
ver	This is the version of the LCD.	No	If no value is specified, this will return the latest (max) version.
ContrVer	This is the contractor version of the LCD.	No	

Page: Medicare Evidence Development & Coverage Advisory Committee (MEDCAC) Meeting Details

URL: /medicare-coverage-database/details/medcac-meeting-details.aspx

Example URL: <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/medcac-meeting-details.aspx?MEDCACId=57>

Table 4 MEDCAC Meeting Details Page Parameter Details

Name	Purpose	Required?	Comments
MEDCACId	This is the ID of the MEDCAC Meeting.	Yes	

Page: National Coverage Analysis (NCA) Details

URL: /medicare-coverage-database/details/nca-details.aspx

Example URL: <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/nca-details.aspx?NCAId=253>

Table 5 NCA Details Page Parameter Details

Name	Purpose	Required?	Comments
NCAId	This is the ID of the NCA.	Yes	

Page: Coding Analysis for Labs (CAL) Details

URL: /medicare-coverage-database/details/cal-details.aspx

Example URL: <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/cal-details.aspx?CALId=150>

Table 6 CAL Details Page Parameter Details

Name	Purpose	Required?	Comments
CALId	This is the ID of the CAL.	Yes	

Page: National Coverage Determination (NCD) Details

URL: /medicare-coverage-database/details/ncd-details.aspx

Example URL: <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/ncd-details.aspx?NCDId=108&ncdver=1>

Table 7 NCD Details Page Parameter Details

Name	Purpose	Required?	Comments
NCDId	This is the ID of the NCD.	Yes	
ncdver	This is the version of the NCD.	No	If no value is specified, this will return the latest (max) version.

Page: Technology Assessment (TA) Details

URL: /medicare-coverage-database/details/technology-assessments-details.aspx

Example URL: <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/technology-assessments-details.aspx?TAId=20>

Table 8 TA Details Page Parameter Details

Name	Purpose	Required?	Comments
TAId	This is the ID of the TA.	Yes	

Page: Medicare Coverage Document Details

URL: /medicare-coverage-database/details/medicare-coverage-document-details.aspx

Example URL: <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/medicare-coverage-document-details.aspx?MCDId=9>

Table 9 Medicare Coverage Document Details Page Parameter Details

Name	Purpose	Required?	Comments
MCDId	This is the ID of the MCD.	Yes	

Page: Coding Analysis for Labs (CAL) Decision Memo

URL: /medicare-coverage-database/details/cal-decision-memo.aspx

Example URL: <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/cal-decision-memo.aspx?CALId=150>

Table 10 CAL Decision Memo Details Page Parameter Details

Name	Purpose	Required?	Comments
CALId	This is the ID of the CAL Decision Memo.	Yes	

Page: Coding Analysis for Labs (CAL) Proposed Decision Memo

URL: /medicare-coverage-database/details/cal-proposed-decision-memo.aspx

Example URL: <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/cal-proposed-decision-memo.aspx?CALId=150>

Table 11 CAL Proposed Decision Memo Details Page Parameter Details

Name	Purpose	Required?	Comments
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CALId	This is the ID of the CAL Decision Memo.	Yes	
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Page: Coding Analysis for Labs (CAL) Tracking Sheet

URL: /medicare-coverage-database/details/cal-tracking-sheet.aspx

Example URL: <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/cal-tracking-sheet.aspx?CALId=167>

Table 12 CAL Tracking Sheet Details Page Parameter Details

Name	Purpose	Required?	Comments
CALId	This is the ID of the CAL Tracking Sheet.	Yes	

Page: Coding Analysis for Labs (CAL) View Public Comments

URL: /medicare-coverage-database/details/cal-view-public-comments.aspx

Example URL: <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/cal-view-public-comments.aspx?CALId=167&ExpandComments=n>

Table 13 CAL View Public Comments Details Page Parameter Details

Name	Purpose	Required?	Comments
CALId	This is the ID of the CAL with public comments.	Yes	
ExpandComments	Determines if full comments are to be displayed. y – Display full comment n – Display summary	No	If no value is specified, defaults to n.

Page: Medicare Coverage Documents View Public Comments

URL: /medicare-coverage-database/details/mcd-view-public-comments.aspx

Example URL: <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/mcd-view-public-comments.aspx?MCDId=14&ExpandComments=n&McdName=NCCN+Compendium+Revision+Request+-+CAG-00389>

Table 14 Medicare Coverage Documents View Public Comments Details Page Parameter Details

Name	Purpose	Required?	Comments
MCDId	This is the ID of the MCD with public comments.	Yes	Removing this field returns 0 results.
ExpandComments	Determines if full comments are to be displayed. y – Display full comment n – Display summary	No	If no value is specified, defaults to n.
McdName	This is the name of the MCD with public comments.	No	This field allows spaces but does not allow html tags.

Page: National Coverage Analysis (NCA) Decision Memo

URL: /medicare-coverage-database/details/nca-decision-memo.aspx

Example URL: <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/nca-decision-memo.aspx?NCAId=1>

Table 15 NCA Decision Memo Details Page Parameter Details

Name	Purpose	Required?	Comments
NCAId	This is the ID of the NCA Decision Memo.	Yes	

Page: National Coverage Analysis (NCA) Proposed Decision Memo

URL: /medicare-coverage-database/details/nca-proposed-decision-memo.aspx

Example URL: <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/nca-proposed-decision-memo.aspx?NCAId=90>

Table 16 NCA Proposed Decision Memo Details Page Parameter Details

Name	Purpose	Required?	Comments
NCAId	This is the ID of the NCA Proposed Decision Memo.	Yes	

Page: National Coverage Analysis (NCA) Tracking Sheet

URL: /medicare-coverage-database/details/nca-tracking-sheet.aspx

Example URL: <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/nca-tracking-sheet.aspx?NCAId=90>

Table 17 NCA Tracking Sheet Details Page Parameter Details

Name	Purpose	Required?	Comments
NCAId	This is the ID of the NCA Tracking Sheet.	Yes	

Page: National Coverage Analysis (NCA) View Public Comments

URL: /medicare-coverage-database/details/nca-view-public-comments.aspx

Example URL: <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/nca-view-public-comments.aspx?NCAId=253&ExpandComments=n>

Table 18 NCA View Public Comments Details Page Parameter Details

Name	Purpose	Required?	Comments
NCAId	This is the ID of the NCA with public comments.	Yes	
ExpandComments	Determines if full comments are to be displayed. y – Display full comment n – Display summary	No	If no value is specified, defaults to n.

Page: Submit Public Comment

URL: /medicare-coverage-database/details/submit-public-comment.aspx

Example URL: [http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/submit-public-comment.aspx?DocID=249&DocType=NCA&DocName=Screening+and+Behavioral+Counseling+Interventions+in+Primary+Care+to+Reduce+Alcohol+Misuse+\(00427N\)](http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/submit-public-comment.aspx?DocID=249&DocType=NCA&DocName=Screening+and+Behavioral+Counseling+Interventions+in+Primary+Care+to+Reduce+Alcohol+Misuse+(00427N))

Table 19 Submit Public Comment Details Page Parameter Details

Name	Purpose	Required?	Comments
DocId	This is the ID of the document to be commented on.	Yes	
DocType	This is the type of the document to be commented on.	Yes	

DocName	This is the name of the document to be commented on.	No	This field allows spaces but does not allow html tags.
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Page: Advanced Search – National and Local Coverage Documents

URL: /medicare-coverage-database/search/search-results.aspx

Example URL: <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/search/search-results.aspx?SearchType=Advanced&CoverageSelection=Both&NCSelection=NCA%7cCAL%7cNCD%7cMEDCAC%7cTA%7cMCD&ArticleType=Ed%7cKey%7cSAD%7cFAQ&PolicyType=Both&s=All&CtrctrType=1&KeyWord=health&KeyWordLookUp=Title&KeyWordSearchType=Exact&ICD=525.65&CptHcpcsCode=2222&DateTag=C>

Table 20 Advanced Search – National and Local Coverage Documents Details Page Parameter Details

Name	Purpose	Required ?	Comments
SearchType	This is the type of search performed. Determines if coming from Advanced Search or Quick Search pages.	No	Accepted Values: -Advanced -Quick Defaults to Quick Search.
CoverageSelection	This is the coverage selection of the search.	Yes	Accepted Values: -Both -National -Local
NCSelection	This is the national coverage document type.	No	Accepted Values: NCA CAL NCD MEDCAC TA MCD Any of the above separated by a “ ”
ArticleType	This is the article type.	No	Accepted Values: Ed Key SAD FAQ Any of the above separated by a “ ”

PolicyType	This is the policy type.	No	Accepted Values: -Both -Final -Draft
S	This is the state selected.	No	s=All for all states or list of all the state ids separated by a “ ” e.g.: s= 2 1 *Please refer to Table 21 State Information
CntrctrType	This is the contractor type.	No	List of all the selected contractor type ids separated by a “ ” e.g.: CntrctrType=10 2 11
Cntrctr	This is the contractor id.	No	List of all the selected contractor id * version combinations separated by a “ ” e.g.: Cntrctr=6*1 7*1
KeyWord	This is the keyword on which the search is performed.	No	e.g.: KeyWord = Cancer
KeyWordLookUp	This is where in the document the keyword will be searched.	No	Accepted Values -Title -Doc
KeyWordSearchType	This is the type of keyword search.	No	Accepted Values -Exact -And -Or And and Or Search are available when keyword is more than one word
CptHcpcsCode	This is the CPT/HCPCS code.	No	
CptHcpcsCodeFrom	This is the first CPT/HCPCS code in a range.	No	Used when performing a search on CPT/HCPCS Code Range

CptHcpcsCodeTo	This is the last CPT/HCPCS code in a range.	No	Used when performing a search on CPT/HCPCS Code Range
ICD	This is the ICD code.	No	
ICDFrom	This is the first ICD code in a range.	No	Used when performing a search on ICD Code Range
ICDTo	This is the last ICD code in a range.	No	Used when performing a search on ICD Code Range
DateTag	This is the current date in effect of the document.	No	Accepted Value - C (Currently in effect)
Date	This is the date in effect of the document.	No	Accepted Values Any date in MMDDYYYY used when user picks Date In Effect
DateFrom	This is the first date in a range.	No	Accepted Values Any date in MMDDYYYY
DateTo	This is the last date in a range.	No	Accepted Values Any date in MMDDYYYY

Table 21 State Information

State ID	State Abbreviation	State Name
1	AK	Alaska
2	AL	Alabama
3	AR	Arkansas
4	AS	American Samoa
5	AZ	Arizona
6	CA	California - Entire State
8	CO	Colorado
9	CT	Connecticut
10	DC	District of Columbia

11	DE	Delaware
12	FL	Florida
14	GA	Georgia
15	GU	Guam
16	HI	Hawaii
17	IA	Iowa
18	ID	Idaho
19	IL	Illinois
20	IN	Indiana
21	KS	Kansas
22	KY	Kentucky
23	LA	Louisiana
24	MA	Massachusetts
25	MD	Maryland
26	ME	Maine
27	MI	Michigan
28	MN	Minnesota
29	MO	Missouri - Entire State
31	MS	Mississippi
32	MT	Montana
34	NC	North Carolina
35	ND	North Dakota
36	NE	Nebraska
37	NH	New Hampshire
38	NJ	New Jersey
39	NM	New Mexico
40	NV	Nevada
41	NY	New York - Entire State
42	OH	Ohio
43	OK	Oklahoma
44	OR	Oregon
45	PA	Pennsylvania
46	PR	Puerto Rico
47	RI	Rhode Island
48	SC	South Carolina
49	SD	South Dakota
50	TN	Tennessee
51	TX	Texas
52	UT	Utah
53	VA	Virginia
54	VI	Virgin Islands

55	VT	Vermont
56	WA	Washington
57	WI	Wisconsin
58	WV	West Virginia
59	WY	Wyoming
60	CNMI	Northern Mariana Islands
61	EM	Missouri - Northeastern & Southern
62	WM	Missouri - Northwestern
63	DN	New York - Downstate
64	QN	New York - Queens
65	UN	New York - Upstate
66	NF	California - Northern
67	SF	California - Southern

Page: Local Coverage Article List

URL: /medicare-coverage-database/indexes/article-list.aspx

Example URL: [http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/indexes/article-list.aspx?Cntrctr=213&ContrVer=1&CntrctrSelected=213*1&name=Cahaba+Government+Benefit+Administrators%24*%24sup*%24*c%2ae%24*%24%2fsup*%24*%2c+LLC+\(10102%2c+MAC+-+Part+B\)](http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/indexes/article-list.aspx?Cntrctr=213&ContrVer=1&CntrctrSelected=213*1&name=Cahaba+Government+Benefit+Administrators%24*%24sup*%24*c%2ae%24*%24%2fsup*%24*%2c+LLC+(10102%2c+MAC+-+Part+B))

Table 22 Article List Page Parameter Details

Name	Purpose	Required?	Comments
Cntrctr	This is the contractor id.	Yes*	*If no value is specified, CntrctrSelected is required.
ContrVer	This is the contractor version.	No	If no value is specified, this will return the latest (max) version.
CntrctrSelected	This is the contractor id and version combination, separated by “*”.	Yes*	*If no value is specified, Cntrctr is required. e.g.: 59*1
name	This is the contractor name.	No	This field allows spaces but does not allow html tags. e.g.: Cahaba+Government+Benefit+Administrators%24*%24sup*%24*c%2ae%24*%24%2fsup*%24*%2c+LLC+(10102%2c+MAC+-+Part+B)

Page: Local Coverage Determination (LCD) List

URL: /medicare-coverage-database/indexes/lcd-list.aspx

Example URL: [http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/indexes/lcd-list.aspx?Cntrctr=213&ContrVer=1&CntrctrSelected=213*1&name=Cahaba+Government+Benefit+Administrators%24*%24sup*%24*%c2%ae%24*%24%2fsup*%24*%2c+LLC+\(10102%2c+MAC+-+Part+B\)](http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/indexes/lcd-list.aspx?Cntrctr=213&ContrVer=1&CntrctrSelected=213*1&name=Cahaba+Government+Benefit+Administrators%24*%24sup*%24*%c2%ae%24*%24%2fsup*%24*%2c+LLC+(10102%2c+MAC+-+Part+B))

Table 23 LCD List Page Parameter Details

Name	Purpose	Required?	Comments
Cntrctr	This is the contractor id.	Yes*	*If no value is specified, CntrctrSelected is required.
ContrVer	This is the contractor version.	No	If no value is specified, this will return the latest (max) version.
CntrctrSelected	This is the contractor id and version combination, separated by “*”.	Yes*	*If no value is specified, Cntrctr is required. e.g.: 59*1
name	This is the contractor name.	No	This field allows spaces but does not allow html tags. e.g.: Cahaba+Government+Benefit+Administrators%24*%24sup*%24*%c2%ae%24*%24%2fsup*%24*%2c+LLC+(10102%2c+MAC+-+Part+B)