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Health Insurance Code Reference Tables: Medical Claims

Health insurance claims data is presented via codes – diagnosis codes, procedure codes, and many others. The codes are meaningless to human readers without code descriptions.

Teus Health has developed a comprehensive set of tables that provide descriptions for health insurance claim codes. In the language of information technology, these tables are known as "reference tables." **Our reference tables have been designed specifically to meet the needs of health insurance claims data analysis teams**.

For each of the medical claims code sets listed below, the reference table describes all codes that have been valid since October 1, 2015. Each code has a begin and end date, showing when the code was first valid and when it became invalid. (If a code is still valid, the end date is listed as year 2099). Changes in code descriptions are similarly dated. New code descriptions are numbered with the most recent description, even for currently invalid codes, numbered as 1. Therefore, reference table can be applied to a multi-year claims dataset via a single join.

The medical reference tables follow a consistent structure and naming convention. The tables are delivered as Excel tables, parquet tables, and/or a SQL dump file. Excel tables can be easily referenced on-demand by your employees, while parquet tables and SQL dump files can be easily imported into your data analysis environment.

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FIPS state and county codes fips5_cd 3,200	
HCPCS procedure codes* hcpcs_cd 19,000	
HCPCS modifier codes hcpcs_mod_cd 400	
ICD-10-PCS procedure codes icd_pcs_cd 83,000	
MS-DRG codes msdrg_cd 1,100	
MS-DRG weights codes msdrg_weights 3,800	
Place of service codes pos_cd 50	
Patient origin codes pt_origin_cd 10	
Revenue codes rev_cd 500	
Specialty codes spec_cd 150	
Taxonomy codes taxonomy_cd 900	
Type of admission codes type_admit_cd <10	

We charge a reasonable flat fee to license the entire set of reference tables^{*} and a smaller fee for annual updates. You may not share your license or the tables with other organizations. We also have national provider ID (NPI) and national drug code (NDC) tables.

* Despite their healthcare ubiquity, HCPCS Level 1 codes, also known as CPT codes, are owned and licensed by the AMA, with onerous terms for any organization that redistributes the codes and their descriptions. We therefore provide a licensed HCPCS Level 2 and 3 reference table and free step-by-step instructions table for using files downloadable from a CMS website to create and append a HCPCS Level 1 table, producing a complete HCPCS table – a process that should take less than an hour. Furthermore, should your data analyst require assistance, we will provide free guidance via a video-call. You are solely responsible for having a license appropriate for your use of AMA materials and the integrity of the add-on table.