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## 1 Introduction

Four Phase I & II CAQH CORE Eligibility & Benefits (270/271) Data Content Operating Rules were combined in 2020 to create the CAQH CORE Eligibility & Benefits (270/271) Data Content Rule (see Revision History) as part of the CAQH CORE Eligibility & Benefit Rule Set. A single rule to support all data content operating rule requirements is consistent with all other CAQH CORE rule sets and simplifies ongoing maintenance. The rule is divided into three main sections:

1. Electronic Delivery of Patient Financial and Benefit Information
2. Normalizing Patient Last Name
3. AAA Error Code Reporting

In 2021, CAQH CORE launched a Task Group to evaluate opportunity areas for operating rule enhancement for the Electronic Delivery of Patient Financial and Benefit Information Rule. For ease of reference, updated or the addition of new rule requirements are highlighted in grey.

## 1. Electronic Delivery of Patient Financial and Benefit Information

### 1.1. Issue to be Addressed and Business Requirement Justification

In order to electronically determine a patient's eligibility and benefits, providers need to have a robust ASC X12 005010X279A1 Eligibility Benefit Request and Response (270/271) (hereafter v5010 270/271). This robust response includes the health plans providing financial information for base and remaining deductible, co-insurance, co-payment and benefit information pertaining to telemedicine, authorization or certification indication, and tiered benefits for those service types and procedures that are heavily used by patients.

HIPAA provides a foundation for the electronic exchange of eligibility and benefits information but does not go far enough to ensure that today's paper-based system can be replaced by an electronic, interoperable system. HIPAA's current mandated data scope does not require all financial and benefit information needed by providers, and HIPAA neither addresses the standardization of data definitions nor contains business requirements by which the HIPAA-outlined data can flow. Future standards developed by ASC X12 and adopted by HIPAA may address these issues. In the meantime, businesses are seeking solutions that can be used today.

Using the available but not-required (situational) elements of the v5010 270/271, the CAQH CORE Eligibility & Benefits (270/271) Data Content Rule defines the specific business information requirements that health plans must return and vendors, clearinghouses and providers must use if they want to be CORE-certified. As with all CAQH CORE rules, these requirements are base requirements, and it is expected many CORE-certified entities will add to these requirements as they work towards the goal of administrative interoperability.

This rule requires: the delivery of base, remaining and benefit-specific deductibles; return of co-payment and co-insurance amounts; communication of telemedicine, remaining coverage, and tiered benefits; indication if authorization or certification is required; and provides a list of CORE-required service type codes and CORE-required categories of service for procedure codes.

By requiring the delivery and use of this financial and benefit information via the existing v5010 270/271 HIPAA-adopted standard, the CAQH CORE Eligibility & Benefits (270/271) Data Content Rule helps provide the information that is necessary to more fully automate electronic eligibility and benefits inquiry processes and thus reduce the cost of today's more manual processes.

### 1.2. Scope

#### 1.2.1. What the Rule Applies To

This CAQH CORE rule conforms with and builds upon the v5010 TR3 implementation guide and specifies the minimum content that an entity must include in the v5010 271.

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### 47 **1.2.2. When the Rule Applies**

48 This rule applies when:

- 49 • The individual is located in the health plan and its agent eligibility system;
- 50 And

51 One of the following is true:

- 52 • A health plan and its agent receives a generic v5010 270;
- 53 Or
- 54 • A health plan and its agent receives an explicit v5010 270 for a specific service type required in  
55 §1.3.2.3 of this rule;
- 56 Or
- 57 • A health plan and its agent receives an explicit v5010 270 for a specific procedure code specified  
58 in §1.4.2.3 of this rule.

### 59 **1.2.3. What the Rule Does Not Require**

60 This rule does not require any entity to modify its use and content of:

- 61 • Other loops and data elements that may be submitted in the v5010 270 not addressed in this rule  
62 (see §1.2.4)
- 63 And
- 64 • Other loops and data elements that may be returned in the v5010 271 not addressed in this rule  
65 (see §1.2.4).
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### 67 **1.2.4. Applicable Loops & Data Elements**

68 This rule covers the following specified loops, segments and data elements in the v5010 270/271  
69 transactions:

- 70 • Segment in the v5010 270:

Loop ID and Name
Loop ID – 2100B Information Receiver Name
Data Element Segment Position, Number & Name
NM1 Information Receiver Name
REF Information Receiver Additional Identification
PRV Information Receiver Provider Information
Loop ID and Name
Loop 2110C Subscriber Eligibility or Benefit Inquiry Information
Data Element Segment Position, Number & Name
EQ Subscriber Eligibility or Benefit Inquiry Information Segment
Loop ID and Name
Loop 2110D Dependent Eligibility or Benefit Inquiry Information
Data Element Segment Position, Number & Name

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EQ Dependent Eligibility or Benefit Inquiry Information
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Segment in the v5010 271:</li> </ul>
Loop ID and Name
Loop 2100C Subscriber Name
Data Element Segment Position, Number & Name
DTP01-374 Date/Time Qualifier
DTP02-1250 Date Time Period Format Qualifier
DTP03-1251 Date Time Period
Loop ID and Name
Loop 2110C Subscriber Eligibility or Benefit Information
Data Element Segment Position, Number & Name
EB01-1390 Eligibility or Benefit Information
EB02-1207 Coverage Level Code
EB03-1365 Service Type Code
EB05-1204 Plan Coverage Description
EB06-615 Time Period Qualifier
EB07-782 Monetary Amount
EB08-954 Percent
EB09-673 Quantity Qualifier
EB10-380 Quantity
EB11-1073 Yes/No – Authorization or Certification Indicator
EB12-1073 Yes/No – In Plan Network Indicator
EB13-C003 Composite Medical Procedure Identifier
EB13 - 1 235 Product/Service ID Qualifier
EB13 - 2 234 Product/Service ID
EB13 - 3 1339 Procedure Modifier
Data Element Segment Position, Number & Name
Msg-01 Free-Form Message Txt
Loop ID and Name
Loop 2115C Subscriber Eligibility or Benefit Additional Information
Data Element Segment Position, Number & Name
III Subscriber Eligibility or Benefit Additional Information
III01 1270 Code List Qualifier Code
III02 1271 Industry Code
Loop ID and Name
Loop 2100D Dependent Name

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<b>Data Element Segment Position, Number &amp; Name</b>
DTP01-374 Date/Time Qualifier
DTP02-1250 Date Time Period Format Qualifier
DTP03-1251 Date Time Period
<b>Loop ID and Name</b>
Loop 2110D Dependent Eligibility or Benefit Information
<b>Data Element Segment Position, Number &amp; Name</b>
EB01-1390 Eligibility or Benefit Information
EB02-1207 Coverage Level Code
EB03-1365 Service Type Code
EB06-615 Time Period Qualifier
EB07-782 Monetary Amount
EB08-954 Percent
EB09-673 Quantity Qualifier
EB10-380 Quantity
EB11-1073 Yes/No – Authorization or Certification Indicator
EB12-1073 Yes/No – In-Plan Network Indicator
EB13-C003 Composite Medical Procedure Identifier
EB13 - 1 235 Product/Service ID Qualifier
EB13 - 2 234 Product/Service ID
EB13 - 3 1339 Procedure Modifier
<b>Data Element Segment Position, Number &amp; Name</b>
Msg-01 Free-Form Message Txt
<b>Loop ID and Name</b>
Loop 2115D Subscriber Eligibility or Benefit Additional Information
<b>Data Element Segment Position, Number &amp; Name</b>
III Subscriber Eligibility or Benefit Additional Information
III01 1270 Code List Qualifier Code
III02 1271 Industry Code

72 **1.2.5. Outside the Scope of this Rule**

73 This rule does not require entities to internally store the data elements listed in §1.2.4 or any other data  
 74 elements in conformance with this rule, but rather requires that all entities conform to this rule when  
 75 conducting the v5010 270/271 transactions electronically. Entities may store data internally any way they  
 76 wish but must ensure the data conform to applicable CAQH CORE rules when inserting that data into  
 77 outbound transactions.

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80 **1.2.6. Assumptions**

81 The following assumptions apply to this rule:

- 82 • This rule is a component of the larger set of CAQH CORE Eligibility & Benefits Operating Rules;  
83 as such, all the CAQH CORE Guiding Principles apply to this rule and all other rules.
- 84 • Requirements for the use of the applicable loops and data elements apply only to the v5010  
85 270/271.
- 86 • Health plans and their agents are able to accurately maintain benefit and eligibility data received  
87 or created in a reasonable timeframe.
- 88 • This rule is not a comprehensive companion document specifying the complete content of either  
89 the v5010 270 or v5010 271 transactions. The focus in this rule is on specifying requirements for  
90 the v5010 271 to address the CAQH CORE eligibility and benefits data content requirements for  
91 health plan benefits and services and related patient financial responsibility.

92 **1.2.7. Abbreviations and Definitions Used in this Rule**

93 Authorization/Certification: Provider prior authorization or certification received from the health plan to  
94 enable the provider to deliver more accurate patient financial responsibility for procedures, treatment, and  
95 diagnostic testing.

96 Benefit-specific Base Deductible: The dollar amount of a specific covered service based on the allowed  
97 benefit that is separate and distinct from the Health Plan Base Deductible that must be paid by an  
98 individual or family before the health benefit plan begins to pay its portion of claims. The specific benefit  
99 period may be a specific date, date range, or otherwise as specified in the plan.

100 Explicit Inquiry: In contrast to a Generic Inquiry, an Explicit Inquiry is a v5010 270 Health Care Eligibility  
101 Benefit Inquiry that contains a Service Type Code other than and not including “30” (Health Benefit Plan  
102 Coverage) in the EQ01 segment of the transaction. An Explicit Inquiry asks about coverage of a specific  
103 type of benefit, for example, “78” (Chemotherapy). (See §1.3.2.3)

104 Generic Inquiry: In contrast to an Explicit Inquiry, a Generic Inquiry is a v5010 270 Health Care Eligibility  
105 Benefit Inquiry that contains only Service Type Code “30” (Health Benefit Plan Coverage) in the EQ01  
106 segment of the transaction.

107 Health Plan Base Deductible: The dollar amount of covered services based on the allowed benefit that  
108 must be paid by an individual or family per benefit period before the health benefit plan begins to pay its  
109 portion of claims. The benefit period may be a specific date range of one year or other as specified in the  
110 plan.

111 Health Plan Coverage Date for the Individual: The effective date of health plan coverage actually in  
112 operation and in force for the individual.

113 In/Out of Network<sup>1</sup>: A provider network is a list of the doctors, other health care providers, and hospitals  
114 that a plan contracts with to provide medical care to its members. These providers are called “network  
115 providers” or “in-network providers.” A provider that isn’t contracted with the plan is called an “out-of-  
116 network provider.”

117 Support [Supported] Service Type: Support [or Supported] means that the health plan (or information  
118 source) must have the capability to receive a v5010 270 for a specific Service Type Code and to respond  
119 in the corresponding v5010 271 in accordance with this rule.

120 Support [Supported] Procedure Code: Support [or Supported] means that the health plan (or information  
121 source) must have the capability to receive a v5010 270 for a specific Procedure Code and to respond in  
122 the corresponding v5010 271 in accordance with this rule.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://marketplace.cms.gov/outreach-and-education/what-you-should-know-provider-networks.pdf>

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123 Telemedicine: Sometimes called Telehealth — is when a provider delivers care for a patient without an in-  
124 person office visit, for example, online with internet access on a computer, tablet, or smartphone or via  
125 telephone.

126 Tiered Benefit: For the purposes of this rule a tiered benefit is when an insurance plan divides the in-  
127 network providers into multiple levels (tiers) where the benefit coverage may change based on the  
128 provider's contractual participation.

### 129 **1.3. Service Type Codes: Electronic Delivery of Patient Financial and Benefit Information** 130 **Rule Requirements**

#### 131 **1.3.1. Basic Requirements for Submitters (Providers, Provider Vendors and Information** 132 **Receivers)**

133 The receiver of a v5010 271 (defined in the context of this CAQH CORE rule as the system originating  
134 the v5010 270) is required to detect and extract all data elements to which this rule applies as returned by  
135 the health plan (or information source) in the v5010 271.

136 The receiver must display or otherwise make the data appropriately available to the end user without  
137 altering the semantic meaning of the v5010 271 data content.

#### 138 **1.3.2. Basic Requirements for Health Plans and Information Sources**

139 A health plan and its agent must comply with all requirements specified in this rule when returning the  
140 v5010 271 when the individual is located in the health plan's (or information source's) system.

##### 141 **1.3.2.1. Health Plan Name**

142 When the individual is located in the health plan and its agent system the health plan name must be  
143 returned (if one exists within the health plan and its agent's system) in EB05-1204 Plan Coverage  
144 Description. Neither the health plan nor its agent is required to obtain such a health plan name from  
145 outside its own organization.

##### 146 **1.3.2.2. Eligibility Dates**

147 The v5010 270 may request a benefit coverage date 12 months in the past or up to the end of the current  
148 month. If the inquiry is outside of this date range and the health plan (or information source) does not  
149 support eligibility inquiries outside of this date range, the v5010 271 must include the AAA segment with  
150 code "62" Date of Service Not Within Allowable Inquiry Period in the AAA03-901 Reject Reason Code  
151 data element.

##### 152 **1.3.2.3. Requirements for a Response to an Explicit Inquiry for a CORE Required** 153 **Service Type**

154 A health plan and its agent must support an explicit v5010 270 for each of the CORE service types  
155 specified in §5.1 returning a v5010 271 as specified in §1.3.2.4 through §1.3.2.13.

##### 156 **1.3.2.4. Specifying Status of Health Benefits Coverage**

157 For the discretionary Service Type Codes identified in §5.1, when the health plan is exercising its  
158 discretion to not return patient financial responsibility, the status of the specific benefit (service type) must  
159 be returned regardless of whether or not that status is separate and distinct from the status of the health  
160 plan coverage.

161 When a service type covered by this rule is a covered benefit for in-network providers only and not a  
162 covered benefit for out-of-network providers, a health plan and its agent must indicate the non-covered  
163 status for out-of-network providers for each service type using EB12-1073 Yes/No – In Plan Network  
164 Indicator as follows:

- 165 • EB01 = I–Non Covered

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- 166       • EB03 = <Applicable Service Type Code>  
167       • EB12 = N

### 168                   **1.3.2.5. Patient Financial Responsibility and Benefit Information**

169 A health plan and its agent must return the patient financial responsibility for base and remaining  
170 deductible, co-insurance and co-payment and benefit information pertaining to telemedicine and  
171 authorization/certification indication as specified in §1.3.2.6 through §1.3.2.13. for each of the service type  
172 codes returned. The health plan (or information source) may, at its discretion, elect not to return patient  
173 financial responsibility and benefit information (deductible, co-payment co-insurance, telemedicine,  
174 authorization/certification) for service type codes indicated as discretionary as specified in §5.1.

175 This discretionary reporting of patient financial responsibility and benefit information does not preempt the  
176 health plan's (or information source's) requirement to report patient financial responsibility and benefit  
177 information for deductible, co-payment, co- insurance, telemedicine, and authorizations/certification for all  
178 other Service Type Codes as specified in §5.1.

179 Service Type Code 30–Health Benefit Plan Coverage is not included in this group of discretionary service  
180 types since this rule requires that a health plan and its agent must return base and remaining Health Plan  
181 Deductibles using Service Type Code 30.

182 CAQH CORE made these codes discretionary for one of three main reasons:

- 183       • A code is too general for a response to be meaningful (e.g., 1 – Medical);  
184       • A code is typically a “carve-out” benefit (e.g., AL – Vision) where the specific benefit information is  
185       not available to the health plan or information source; Or  
186       • A code is related to behavioral health or substance abuse (e.g., AI - Substance Abuse) where  
187       privacy issues may impact a health plan or information source's ability to return information.

188 See §5.1 for a visual view of Service Type Codes and reporting requirements.

189 All date and date range reporting requirements for Patient Financial Responsibility are specified in  
190 §1.3.2.9.

### 191                   **1.3.2.6. Specifying Deductible Amounts**

192 A health plan and its agent must return the dollar amount of the base and remaining deductible for  
193 all Service Type Codes required by §1.3.2.3 and for Service Type Code 30 (See §1.3.2.3), with  
194 consideration of §1.3.2.5 for discretionary reporting exceptions.

195 The deductible amount returned must be in U.S. dollars only.

#### 196                   **1.3.2.6.1. Specifying the Health Plan Base Deductible**

197 A health plan and its agent must return the Health Plan base deductible as defined in §1.2.7 of this rule  
198 that is the patient financial responsibility, including both individual and family deductibles (when  
199 applicable) in Loops 2110C/2110D only when the status of the health plan coverage as required in  
200 §1.3.2.4 is equal to one of the active coverage codes 1 through 5 and EB03=30 – Health Benefit Plan  
201 Coverage as follows:

- 202       • EB01 = C–Deductible  
203       • EB02 = FAM–Family or IND–Individual as appropriate  
204       • EB03 = 30 – Health Benefit Plan Coverage  
205       • EB06 = <Applicable Time Period Qualifier code; see §5.2 recommended qualifiers.>  
206       • EB07 = Monetary amount of Health Plan base deductible

207 When a service type does not have a base deductible separate and distinct from the Health Plan base  
208 deductible, the Health Plan base deductible must not be returned on any EB segment where EB03≠30 –  
209 Health Benefit Plan Coverage.

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210 When the Health Plan base deductible differs for in- and out-of-network, two occurrences of the EB  
211 segment must be returned using EB12-1073 with codes N and Y as follows:

- 212 • EB12 = N or Y as applicable

### 213 **1.3.2.6.2. Specifying the Health Plan Remaining Deductible**

214 A health plan and its agent must return the Health Plan remaining deductible, that is the patient financial  
215 responsibility, including both individual and family remaining deductibles (when applicable) in Loops  
216 2110C/2110D only when the status of the health plan coverage as required in §1.3.2.4 is equal to one of  
217 the active coverage codes 1 through 5 and EB03=30 – Health Benefit Plan Coverage as follows:

- 218 • EB01 = C–Deductible
- 219 • EB02 = FAM–Family or IND–Individual as appropriate
- 220 • EB03 = 30 – Health Benefit Plan Coverage
- 221 • EB06 = 29–Remaining
- 222 • EB07 = Monetary amount of Health Plan remaining deductible

223 When a service type does not have a specific remaining deductible that is separate and distinct from the  
224 Health Plan remaining deductible, the Health Plan remaining deductible must not be returned on any EB  
225 segment where EB03≠30–Health Benefit Plan Coverage.

226 When the Health Plan remaining deductible differs for in- and out-of-network, two occurrences of the EB  
227 segment must be returned using EB12-1073 with codes N and Y as follows.

- 228 • EB12 = N or Y as applicable

229 The Health Plan remaining deductible returned is for the current time period only, i.e., as of the date of  
230 the v5010 271. When the v5010 270 is for a time period other than the current time period, no Health  
231 Plan remaining deductible is returned.

### 232 **1.3.2.6.3. Specifying the Benefit-specific Base Deductible**

233 A health plan and its agent must return the Benefit-specific base deductible as defined in §1.2.7 of this  
234 rule that is the patient financial responsibility, including both individual and family deductibles (when  
235 applicable) in Loops 2110C/2110D only when the status of the health plan coverage and the status of the  
236 specific benefit as required in §1.3.2.4 is equal to one of the active coverage codes 1 through 5 and  
237 EB03≠30–Health Benefit Plan Coverage as follows:

- 238 • EB01 = C–Deductible
- 239 • EB02 = FAM–Family or IND–Individual as appropriate
- 240 • EB03 = <the Service Type Code indicating the specific benefit to which the deductible applies>
- 241 • EB06 = <Applicable Time Period Qualifier code; see for §5.2 recommended qualifiers.>
- 242 • EB07 = Monetary amount of Benefit-specific base deductible

243 When the Benefit-specific base deductible differs for in- and out-of-network, two occurrences of the EB  
244 segment must be returned using EB12-1073 with codes N and Y as follows:

- 245 • EB12 = N or Y as applicable

### 246 **1.3.2.6.4. Specifying the Benefit-specific Remaining Deductible**

247 A health plan and its agent must return the Benefit-specific remaining deductible, that is patient financial  
248 responsibility, including both individual and family deductibles (when applicable) in Loops 2110C/2110D  
249 only when the status of the health plan coverage and the status of the specific benefit as required in  
250 §1.3.2.4 is equal to one of the active coverage codes 1 through 5 and EB03≠30–Health Benefit Plan  
251 Coverage as follows:

- 252 • EB01 = C–Deductible
- 253 • EB02 = FAM–Family or IND–Individual as appropriate

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- 254 • EB03 = <the Service Type Code indicating the specific benefit to which the deductible applies>
- 255 • EB06 = 29 – Remaining
- 256 • EB07 = Monetary amount of Benefit-specific remaining deductible

257 When the Benefit-specific remaining deductible differs for in- and out-of-network, two occurrences of the  
258 EB segment must be returned using EB12-1073 with codes N and Y as follows:

- 259 • EB12 = N or Y as applicable

260 The benefit-specific remaining deductible returned is for the current time period only, i.e., as of the date of  
261 the v5010 271. When the v5010 270 is for a time period other than the current time period, no Benefit-  
262 specific remaining deductible is returned.

263 Returning the Benefit-specific remaining deductible is required except for those service types specified as  
264 exceptions for discretionary reporting in §1.3.2.5.

### 265 **1.3.2.7. Specifying Co-Payment Amounts**

266 A health plan and its agent must return the patient financial responsibility for co- payment for each of the  
267 Service Type Codes returned as specified as follows:

- 268 • EB01 = B–Co-Payment
- 269 • EB02 = FAM–Family or IND–Individual as appropriate
- 270 • EB07 = Monetary amount of Benefit-specific Co-payment

271 When the patient financial responsibility amounts differ for in- and out-of-network, two occurrences of the  
272 EB segment must be returned using EB12-1073 with codes N and Y as follows:

- 273 • EB12 = N or Y as applicable

274 See §1.3.2.5 for discretionary reporting exceptions.

### 275 **1.3.2.8. Specifying Co-Insurance Amounts**

276 A health plan and its agent must return the patient financial responsibility for co- insurance for each of the  
277 Service Type Codes returned as follows:

- 278 • EB01 = A–Co-Insurance
- 279 • EB02 = FAM–Family or IND–Individual as appropriate
- 280 • EB08 = Percent for each Benefit-specific Co-insurance

281 When the patient financial responsibility amounts differ for in- and out-of-network, two occurrences of the  
282 EB segment must be returned using EB12-1073 with codes N and Y as follows:

- 283 • EB12 = N or Y as applicable

284 See §1.3.2.5 for discretionary reporting exceptions.

### 285 **1.3.2.9. Specifying the Health Plan Base Deductible Date**

286 When the Health Plan Base Deductible date is not the same date as the Health Plan Coverage Date for  
287 the Individual a health plan and its agent must return date specifying the begin date for the base Health  
288 Plan deductible only in Loops 2110C/2110D where EB01= active coverage code 1 through 5 and  
289 EB03=30–Health Plan Benefit Coverage and EB01=C–Deductible as follows:

- 290 • DTP01 = 346 Plan Begin
- 291 • DTP02 = D8–Date Expressed in Format CCYYMMDD
- 292 • DTP03 = the date applicable to the time period as specified in EB06

293 Do not return the DTP segment when the date is the same as the Health Plan Coverage Dates for the  
294 Individual.

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295 Alternatively, a health plan and its agent may return a range of dates specifying the begin and end dates  
296 for the base Health Plan Base deductible only in Loops 2110C/2110D where EB01 = active coverage  
297 code 1 through 5 and EB03=30–Health Plan Benefit Coverage and EB01 = C–Deductible as follows:

- 298 • DTP01 = 291–Plan
- 299 • DTP02 = RD8–Date Expressed in Format CCYYMMDD-CCYYMMDD
- 300 • DTP03 = the range of dates applicable to the time period as specified in EB06

301 Do not return the DTP segment when the date range is the same as the Health Plan Coverage Dates for  
302 the Individual.

### 303 **1.3.2.10. Specifying Benefit-specific Base Deductible Dates**

304 When the Benefit-specific Base Deductible date is not the same date as the Health Plan Coverage Dates  
305 for the Individual, a health plan and its agent must return a date specifying the begin date for the base  
306 Benefit-specific deductible only in Loops 2110C/2110D where EB01= active coverage code 1 through 5  
307 and EB03≠30–Health Plan Benefit Coverage and EB01=C–Deductible as follows:

- 308 • DTP01 = 348–Benefit Begin
- 309 • DTP02 = D8–Date Expressed in Format CCYYMMDD
- 310 • DTP03 = the date applicable to the time period as specified in EB06

311 Do not return the DTP segment when the date is the same as the Health Plan Coverage Dates for the  
312 Individual.

313 Alternatively, a health plan and its agent may return a range of dates specifying the begin and end dates  
314 for the base Benefit-specific deductible only in Loops 2110C/2110D where EB01= active coverage code 1  
315 through 5 and EB03≠30–Health Plan Benefit Coverage and EB01=C–Deductible as follows:

- 316 • DTP01 = 292–Benefit
- 317 • DTP02 = RD8–Date Expressed in Format CCYYMMDD-CCYYMMDD
- 318 • DTP03 = the range of dates applicable to the time period as specified in EB06

319 Do not return the DTP segment when the date range is the same as the Health Plan Coverage Dates for  
320 the Individual.

### 321 **1.3.2.11. Specifying Telemedicine Benefits**

322 When a service type code is covered for telemedicine<sup>2</sup>, a health plan and its agent must use the Centers  
323 for Medicare and Medicaid Services External Place of Service Codes for Professional Claims Code 02  
324 (TELEHEALTH)<sup>3</sup>, in Segment III<sup>4</sup> (SUBSCRIBER/DEPENDENT ELIGIBILITY OR BENEFIT ADDITIONAL  
325 INFORMATION), within Data Element III02 (INDUSTRY CODE) to indicate what service or benefit is  
326 available for telemedicine as follows.

327  
328 **EB Segment:**

- 329 • EB01 = Eligibility or Benefit Information Code used to Identify the Eligibility or Benefit Information
- 330 • EB02 = FAM–Family or IND–Individual as appropriate
- 331 • EB03 = <Service Type Code that is available for Telemedicine>

332 **III Segment:**

- 333 • III01 = ZZ Place of Service Codes for CMS Professional Services

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<sup>2</sup> Service type codes may have varying applicability or limitations based on a multitude of factors, such as place of service. Rule requirements specify when to send place of service codes for telemedicine specifically, when needed.

<sup>3</sup> For more information about Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Place of Service Code Set, visit [https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/place-of-service-codes/Place\\_of\\_Service\\_Code\\_Set](https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/place-of-service-codes/Place_of_Service_Code_Set).

<sup>4</sup> Reference ASC X12N v5010X279 271/2115C/2115D III Segment

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- 334       ▪ III02 = 02 Telehealth (Code indicating a code from a specific industry code list)

335  
336 When telemedicine benefits differ for in- and out-of-network, two occurrences of the EB segment must be  
337 returned using EB12 with codes N and Y as follows:

- 338       • EB12 = N or Y as applicable

### 339                   **1.3.2.12.    Specifying Maximum and Remaining Coverage Benefits**

340 A health plan and its agent must return maximum benefit limitations and return remaining benefits for  
341 each limitation for the 10 CORE-required remaining coverage benefit service types specified in §5.1 using  
342 two EB loop occurrences.

#### 343                   **1.3.2.12.1.    Specifying Maximum Benefit**

344 A health plan and its agent must return maximum benefit limitations in the first occurrence of the EB Loop  
345 as follows.

- 346       ▪ EB Segment
  - 347           • EB01 = F Limitations
  - 348           • EB03 = <Applicable CORE-required STC for Remaining Benefits>
  - 349           • EB06 = <Applicable Time Period Qualifier code; see §5.2 recommended qualifiers>
  - 350           • EB07 = Monetary Amount as qualified by EB01 (when applicable)
  - 351           • EB08 = Percentage Rate as qualified by EB01 (when applicable)
  - 352           • EB09 = M2 Maximum - Use to specify the units conveyed in EB10 (when applicable)
  - 353           • EB10 = Benefit Quantity (when applicable)

#### 354                   **1.3.2.12.2.    Specifying Remaining Benefit**

355 A health plan and its agent must return the remaining benefits in the related occurrence of the EB Loop  
356 as follows:

- 357       • EB Segment
  - 358           • EB01 = F Limitations
  - 359           • EB03 = < Applicable CORE-required STC for Remaining Benefits>
  - 360           • EB06 = 29 Remaining
  - 361           • EB07 = Monetary Amount as qualified by EB01 (when applicable)
  - 362           • EB08 = Percentage Rate as qualified by EB01 (when applicable)
  - 363           • EB09 = Quantity Qualifier (when applicable)
  - 364           • EB10 = Benefit Quantity (when applicable)

#### 365                   **1.3.2.12.3.    Remaining Benefit with Date**

366 A health plan and its agent must return the next eligible date, when applicable, for a benefit when a  
367 service type has a date limitation using the EB and DTP Segment as follows:

- 368       • EB Segment
  - 369           • EB03 = < Applicable CORE-required STC for Remaining Benefits >
  - 370           • EB06 = <Applicable Time Period Qualifier code; see §5.2 recommended qualifiers>
  - 371
- 372       • DTP Segment

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- 373 • DTP01 = 348 Benefit Begin
- 374 • DTP02 = D8 Date Expressed in Format CCYYMMDD
- 375 • DTP03 = Next Eligible Date as applicable to the time period specified in EB06

### 376 **1.3.2.13. Specifying Authorization/Certification**

377 When a service type code covered by this rule is a covered benefit, a health plan and its agent must  
378 indicate if authorization or certification is required using EB11 with codes N or Y per plan provisions when  
379 authorization or certification requirements can be determined by the health plan for each service type as  
380 follows:

- 381 • EB11 = N or Y as applicable
- 382

383 If authorization or certification requirements cannot be determined for the inquired service type code and  
384 by using data sent in the v5010 270, a health plan and its agent must use EB11 with code U if  
385 authorization or certification requirements are not accessible as follows:

- 386 • EB11 = U
- 387

388 When authorization or certification requirements differ for in- and out-of-network, two occurrences of the  
389 EB segment must be returned using EB12 with codes N and Y as follows:

- 390 • EB12 = N or Y as applicable

## 391 **1.4. Procedure Codes: Electronic Delivery of Patient Financial and Benefit Information Rule** 392 **Requirements**

### 393 **1.4.1. Basic Requirements for Submitters (Providers, Provider Vendors and Information** 394 **Receivers)**

395 The receiver of a v5010 271 (defined in the context of this CAQH CORE rule as the system originating  
396 the v5010 270) is required to detect and extract all data elements to which this rule applies as returned by  
397 the health plan and its agent in the v5010 271.

398 The receiver must display or otherwise make the data appropriately available to the end user without  
399 altering the semantic meaning of the v5010 271 data content.

### 400 **1.4.2. Basic Requirements for Health Plans and Information Sources**

401 A health plan and its agent must comply with all requirements specified in this rule when returning the  
402 v5010 271 when the individual is located in the health plan's (or information source's) system.

#### 403 **1.4.2.1. Health Plan Name**

404 When the individual is located in the health plan's and its agent's system the health plan name must be  
405 returned (if one exists within the health plan's or information source's system) in EB05-1204 Plan  
406 Coverage Description. Neither the health plan nor the information source is required to obtain such a  
407 health plan name from outside its own organization.

#### 408 **1.4.2.2. Eligibility Dates**

409 The v5010 270 may request a benefit coverage date 12 months in the past or up to the end of the current  
410 month. If the inquiry is outside of this date range and the health plan (or information source) does not  
411 support eligibility inquiries outside of this date range, the v5010 271 must include the AAA segment with  
412 code "62" Date of Service Not Within Allowable Inquiry Period in the AAA03-901 Reject Reason Code  
413 data element.

414

415



416 **1.4.2.3. Requirements for a Response to an Explicit Inquiry for a CORE Required**  
 417 **Procedure Code**

418 A health plan and its agent must support an explicit v5010 270 for each procedure code (CPT or HCPCS)  
 419 received that can be placed by the health plan into one or more of the categories of service as specified  
 420 in Table 1.4.2.3 returning a v5010 271 as specified in §1.4.2.4 through §1.4.2.10.

421 **Table 1.4.2.3**

CORE-required Categories of Service for Procedure Codes (CPT or HCPCS)
Physical Therapy
Occupational Therapy
Imaging
Surgery

422  
 423 When the procedure code(s) received in the v5010 270 cannot be placed by the health plan and its agent  
 424 into any of the above types of service categories, as specified in Table 1.4.2.3, the health plan and its  
 425 agent should attempt to evaluate and respond appropriately to the request. Note: The health plan and its  
 426 agent are strongly encouraged to evaluate and respond to all received procedure code(s).

427 **1.4.2.4. Specifying Status of Health Benefits Coverage**

428 When a procedure code covered by this rule is a covered benefit for in-network providers only and not a  
 429 covered benefit for out-of-network providers, a health plan and its agent must indicate the non-covered  
 430 status for out-of-network providers for each service type using EB12-1073 Yes/No – In Plan Network  
 431 Indicator as follows:

- 432 • EB01 = I–Non Covered
- 433 • EB03 = <Applicable Service Type Code>
- 434 • EB12 = N

435 **1.4.2.5. Patient Financial Responsibility**

436 A health plan and its agent must return the patient financial responsibility for base and remaining  
 437 deductible, co-insurance and co-payment as specified in §1.4.2.6 through §1.4.2.8. for each procedure  
 438 code returned.

439 All date and date range reporting requirements for Patient Financial Responsibility are specified in  
 440 §1.4.2.9.

441 **1.4.2.6. Specifying Deductible Amounts**

442 A health plan and its agent must return the dollar amount of the base and remaining deductible for  
 443 all procedure codes required by §1.4.2.3.

444 The deductible amount returned must be in U.S. dollars only.

445 **1.4.2.6.1. Specifying the Benefit-specific Base Deductible**

446 A health plan and its agent must return the Benefit-specific base deductible as defined in §1.2.7 of this  
 447 rule that is the patient financial responsibility, including both individual and family deductibles (when  
 448 applicable) in Loops 2110C/2110D only when the status of the health plan coverage and the status of the  
 449 specific benefit as required in §1.4.2.4 is equal to one of the active coverage codes 1 through 5 and  
 450 EB03≠30–Health Benefit Plan Coverage as follows:

- 451 • EB01 = C–Deductible
- 452 • EB02 = FAM–Family or IND–Individual as appropriate
- 453 • EB06 = < Applicable Time Period Qualifier code; see §5.2 recommended qualifiers>

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- 454 • EB07 = Monetary amount of Benefit-specific base deductible
- 455 • EB13 = < the Procedure Code indicating the specific benefit to which the deductible applies>

456 When the Benefit-specific base deductible differs for in- and out-of-network, two occurrences of the EB  
457 segment must be returned using EB12-1073 with codes N and Y as follows:

- 458 • EB12 = N or Y as applicable

### 459 **1.4.2.6.2. Specifying the Benefit-specific Remaining Deductible**

460 A health plan and its agent must return the Benefit-specific remaining deductible, that is patient financial  
461 responsibility, including both individual and family deductibles (when applicable) in Loops 2110C/2110D  
462 only when the status of the health plan coverage and the status of the specific benefit as required in  
463 §1.3.2.4 is equal to one of the active coverage codes 1 through 5 and EB03#30–Health Benefit Plan  
464 Coverage as follows:

- 465 • EB01 = C–Deductible
- 466 • EB02 = FAM–Family or IND–Individual as appropriate
- 467 • EB06 = 29 – Remaining
- 468 • EB07 = Monetary amount of Benefit-specific remaining deductible
- 469 • EB13 = < the Procedure Code indicating the specific benefit to which the deductible applies>

470 When the Benefit-specific remaining deductible differs for in- and out-of-network, two occurrences of the  
471 EB segment must be returned using EB12-1073 with codes N and Y as follows:

- 472 • EB12 = N or Y as applicable

473 The Benefit-specific remaining deductible returned is for the current time period only, i.e., as of the date of  
474 the v5010 271. When the v5010 270 is for a time period other than the current time period, no Benefit-  
475 specific remaining deductible is returned.

### 476 **1.4.2.7. Specifying Co-Payment Amounts**

477 A health plan and its agent must return the patient financial responsibility for co- payment for each  
478 Procedure Code returned as specified as follows:

- 479 • EB01 = B–Co-Payment
- 480 • EB02 = FAM–Family or IND–Individual as appropriate
- 481 • EB07 = Monetary amount of Benefit-specific Co-payment

482 When the patient financial responsibility amounts differ for in- and out-of-network, two occurrences of the  
483 EB segment must be returned using EB12-1073 with codes N and Y as follows:

- 484 • EB12 = N or Y as applicable

### 485 **1.4.2.8. Specifying Co-Insurance Amounts**

486 A health plan and its agent must return the patient financial responsibility for co- insurance for each  
487 Procedure Code returned as follows:

- 488 • EB01 = A–Co-Insurance
- 489 • EB02 = FAM–Family or IND–Individual as appropriate
- 490 • EB08 = Percent for each Benefit-specific Co-insurance

491 When the patient financial responsibility amounts differ for in- and out-of-network, two occurrences of the  
492 EB segment must be returned using EB12-1073 with codes N and Y as follows:

- 493 • EB12 = N or Y as applicable

494 **1.4.2.9. Specifying Procedure Code-specific Base Deductible Dates**

495 When the Procedure Code-specific Base Deductible date is not the same date as the Health Plan  
496 Coverage Dates for the Individual, a health plan and its agent must return a date specifying the begin  
497 date for the base Procedure Code-specific deductible only in Loops 2110C/2110D where EB01= active  
498 coverage code 1 through 5 and EB03≠30–Health Plan Benefit Coverage and EB01=C–Deductible as  
499 follows:

- 500 • DTP01 = 348–Benefit Begin
- 501 • DTP02 = D8–Date Expressed in Format CCYYMMDD
- 502 • DTP03 = the date applicable to the time period as specified in EB06

503 Do not return the DTP segment when the date is the same as the Health Plan Coverage Dates for the  
504 Individual.

505 Alternatively, a health plan and its agent may return a range of dates specifying the begin and end dates  
506 for the base Benefit-specific deductible only in Loops 2110C/2110D where EB01= active coverage code 1  
507 through 5 and EB03≠30–Health Plan Benefit Coverage and EB01=C–Deductible as follows:

- 508 • DTP01 = 292–Benefit
- 509 • DTP02 = RD8–Date Expressed in Format CCYYMMDD-CCYYMMDD
- 510 • DTP03 = the range of dates applicable to the time period as specified in EB06

511 Do not return the DTP segment when the date range is the same as the Health Plan Coverage Dates for  
512 the Individual.

513 **1.4.2.10. Specifying Authorization/Certification**

514 When a Procedure Code covered by this rule is a covered benefit, a health plan and its agent must  
515 indicate if authorization or certification is required using EB11 with codes N or Y per plan provisions when  
516 authorization or certification requirements can be determined by the health plan for each service type as  
517 follows:

- 518 • EB11 = N or Y as applicable
- 519

520 If authorization or certification requirements cannot be determined for the inquired procedure code and by  
521 using data sent in the v5010 270, a health plan and its agent must use EB11 with code U if authorization  
522 or certification requirements are not accessible as follows:

- 523 • EB11 = U
- 524

525 When authorization or certification requirements differ for in- and out-of-network, two occurrences of the  
526 EB segment must be returned using EB12 with codes N and Y as follows:

- 527 • EB12 = N or Y as applicable.

528 **1.5. Tiered Benefits**

529 **1.5.1. Member Tiered Benefit Coverage**

530 When the v5010 270 includes a CORE-required service type or procedure code, as specified in §1.3.2  
531 and §1.4.2, and it is determined to be a tiered benefit for the *patient identified*, the v5010 271 must  
532 include the following data in EB Loops 2110C/2110D for each applicable tiered benefit. Each EB loop  
533 must also include a MSG segment identifying the benefit tier and the MSG segment content must begin  
534 with “MSG\*BenefitTier...”.

- 535 • Coverage Status of Benefit
- 536 • Benefit-Specific Base Deductible
- 537 • Benefit-Specific Remaining Deductible
- 538 • Co-Pay Amount

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- 539       ▪ Co-Insurance Amount
- 540       ▪ Coverage Level
- 541       ▪ Benefit-specific Base Deductible Dates
- 542       ▪ Remaining Benefit Coverage
- 543       ▪ Authorization or Certification Indication
- 544       ▪ In/Out of Network Indication

545  
546       When a specific tiered benefit cannot be determined, all tiers must be returned along with the MSG  
547       segment with appropriate wording indicating how the provider can determine which tier is applicable  
548       to them.

### 549               **1.5.2. Provider Tiered Benefit Reimbursement**

550       When the health plan and its agent can appropriately identify the provider specified in Loop 2100B  
551       NM1/REF/PRV segments the v5010 271 must return the following:

- 552       • The tiered network status of in-network, out-of-network, or exclusive/preferred for the inquiring  
553        provider.

554       AND

- 555       • Benefit information only for the patient tier that applies to the inquiring provider if determination  
556        can be made.

557       When a patient benefit tier cannot be determined for the provider specified in Loop 2100B, information for  
558       all benefit tiers applicable to the patient must be returned in EB Loops 2110C/2110D along with the MSG  
559       segment with appropriate wording indicating how the provider can determine which tier is applicable to  
560       them.

561       **2. Normalizing Patient Last Name** *[Note: This section is out-of-scope and text has been removed to*  
562       *ease CAQH CORE Review Work Group review]*

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564       **3. AAA Error Code Reporting** *[Note: This section is out-of-scope and text has been removed to ease*  
565       *CAQH CORE Review Work Group review]*

### 566       **4. Conformance Requirements**

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568       Conformance with this CAQH CORE Operating Rule can be voluntarily demonstrated and certified  
569       through successful completion of the Eligibility & Benefits CAQH Certification Test Suite with a third  
570       party CAQH CORE-authorized Testing Vendor, followed by the entity's successful application for a  
571       CORE Certification Seal. A CORE Certification Seal demonstrates that an entity has successfully tested  
572       for conformity with all of the CAQH CORE Eligibility & Benefits Operating Rules, and the entity or its  
573       product has fulfilled all relevant conformance requirements.

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574 **5. Appendix**

575 The purpose of the Appendix is to provide additional background on the CAQH CORE Eligibility & Benefits (270/271) Data Content Rule. It is  
576 non-normative information and in a case of conflict, the actual rule language applies.

577 **5.1. Eligibility & Benefits CORE Service Type Codes**

578 The table below shows the full list of Service Type Codes required in the CAQH CORE Eligibility & Benefits (270/271) Data Content Rule.

579 The right-hand column describes the required and discretionary status for returning patient financial responsibility and benefit information (static  
580 co-pay, co-insurance information, remaining deductible, telemedicine benefits, and authorization/certification indication) for each of the CORE-  
581 required Service Type Codes.

Expanded Subset of Service Type Codes (v5010 X12 270/271 Code)	Expanded Subset of Service Type Code Definitions (v5010 X12 270/271 Definition)	Service Type Codes Required for a Generic Inquiry	Service Type Codes Required for an Explicit Inquiry	Service Type Codes Required for Remaining Coverage Benefits	Return Patient Financial Responsibility information and Benefit Information
1	Medical Care	Y	Y		Discretionary
2	Surgical		Y		Mandatory
3	Consultation		Y		Discretionary
4	Diagnostic X-Ray		Y		Mandatory
5	Diagnostic Lab		Y		Mandatory
6	Radiation Therapy		Y		Mandatory
7	Anesthesia		Y		Mandatory
8	Surgical Assistance		Y		Mandatory
9	Other Medical		Y		Discretionary
10	Blood Charges		Y		Mandatory
11	Used Durable Medical Equipment		Y		Mandatory
12	Durable Medical Equipment Purchase		Y		Mandatory
13	Ambulatory Service Center Facility		Y		Mandatory

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14	Renal Supplies in the Home		Y		Mandatory
15	Alternate Method Dialysis		Y		Mandatory
16	Chronic Renal Disease CRD Equipment		Y		Mandatory
17	Pre Admission Testing		Y		Mandatory
18	Durable Medical Equipment Rental		Y		Mandatory
19	Pneumonia Vaccine		Y		Discretionary
20	Second Surgical Opinion		Y		Mandatory
23	Diagnostic Dental		Y		Mandatory
24	Periodontics		Y		Mandatory
25	Restorative		Y		Mandatory
26	Endodontics		Y		Mandatory
27	Maxillofacial Prosthetics		Y		Discretionary
28	Adjunctive Dental Services		Y		Discretionary
30	Health Benefit Plan Coverage	Y			Mandatory
32	Plan Waiting Period		Y		Discretionary
33	Chiropractic	Y	Y	Y	Mandatory
34	Chiropractic Office Visits		Y	Y	Discretionary
35	Dental Care	Y	Y		Discretionary
36	Dental Crowns		Y		Discretionary
37	Dental Accident		Y		Mandatory
38	Orthodontics		Y		Mandatory
39	Prosthodontics		Y		Mandatory

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40	Oral Surgery		Y		Mandatory
41	Routine Preventive Dental		Y		Mandatory
42	Home Health Care		Y		Mandatory
43	Home Health Prescriptions		Y		Discretionary
44	Home Health Visits		Y		Mandatory
45	Hospice		Y		Mandatory
46	Respite Care		Y		Discretionary
47	Hospital	Y	Y		Mandatory
48	Hospital - Inpatient	Y	Y		Mandatory
49	Hospital Room and Board		Y		Mandatory
50	Hospital - Outpatient	Y	Y		Mandatory
51	Hospital - Emergency Accident		Y		Mandatory
52	Hospital - Emergency Medical		Y		Mandatory
53	Hospital - Ambulatory Surgical		Y		Mandatory
54	Long Term Care		Y		Discretionary
55	Major Medical		Y		Discretionary
56	Medically Related Transportation		Y		Mandatory
57	Air Transportation		Y		Mandatory
58	Cabulance		Y		Mandatory
59	Licensed Ambulance		Y		Mandatory
60	General Benefits		Y		Mandatory
61	In vitro Fertilization		Y		Mandatory

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62	MRI/CAT Scan		Y		Mandatory
63	Donor Procedures		Y		Mandatory
64	Acupuncture		Y		Discretionary
65	Newborn Care		Y		Mandatory
66	Pathology		Y		Mandatory
67	Smoking Cessation		Y		Discretionary
68	Well Baby Care		Y		Mandatory
69	Maternity		Y		Mandatory
70	Transplants		Y		Mandatory
71	Audiology Exam		Y		Mandatory
72	Inhalation Therapy		Y		Mandatory
73	Diagnostic Medical		Y		Mandatory
74	Private Duty Nursing		Y		Discretionary
75	Prosthetic Device		Y		Mandatory
76	Dialysis		Y		Mandatory
77	Otological Exam		Y		Mandatory
78	Chemotherapy		Y		Mandatory
79	Allergy Testing		Y		Mandatory
80	Immunizations		Y		Mandatory
81	Routine Physical		Y		Mandatory
82	Family Planning		Y		Mandatory
83	Infertility		Y		Mandatory



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84	Abortion		Y		Discretionary
86	Emergency Services	Y	Y		Mandatory
87	Cancer		Y		Mandatory
88	Pharmacy	Y	Y		Discretionary
89	Free Standing Prescription Drug		Y		Discretionary
90	Mail Order Prescription Drug		Y		Discretionary
91	Brand Name Prescription Drug		Y		Discretionary
92	Generic Prescription Drug		Y		Discretionary
93	Podiatry		Y		Mandatory
94	Podiatry Office Visits		Y		Discretionary
95	Podiatry Nursing Home Visits		Y		Mandatory
96	Professional Physician		Y		Mandatory
97	Anesthesiologist		Y		Mandatory
98	Professional (Physician) Visit - Office	Y	Y		Mandatory
99	Professional (Physician) Visit - Inpatient		Y		Mandatory
A0	Professional (Physician) Visit - Outpatient		Y		Mandatory
A1	Professional Physician Visit Nursing Home		Y		Mandatory
A2	Professional Physician Visit Skilled Nursing Facility		Y	Y	Mandatory
A3	Professional (Physician) Visit - Home		Y		Mandatory
A4	Psychiatric		Y		Discretionary
A5	Psychiatric Room and Board		Y		Discretionary
A6	Psychotherapy		Y		Discretionary

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A7	Psychiatric - Inpatient		Y		Discretionary
A8	Psychiatric - Outpatient		Y		Discretionary
A9	Rehabilitation		Y		Discretionary
AA	Rehabilitation Room and Board		Y		Discretionary
AB	Rehabilitation Inpatient		Y		Discretionary
AC	Rehabilitation Outpatient		Y		Discretionary
AD	Occupational Therapy		Y	Y	Mandatory
AE	Physical Medicine		Y	Y	Mandatory
AF	Speech Therapy		Y	Y	Mandatory
AG	Skilled Nursing Care		Y		Mandatory
AH	Skilled Nursing Care Room and Board		Y	Y	Mandatory
AI	Substance Abuse		Y		Discretionary
AJ	Alcoholism		Y		Discretionary
AK	Drug Addiction		Y		Discretionary
AL	Vision (Optometry)	Y	Y	Y	Discretionary
AM	Frames		Y		Mandatory
AN	Routine Exam		Y		Mandatory
AO	Lenses		Y		Discretionary
AQ	Nonmedically Necessary Physical		Y		Discretionary
AR	Experimental Drug Therapy		Y		Discretionary
B1	Burn Care		Y		Discretionary
B2	Brand Name Prescription Drug Formulary		Y		Discretionary

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B3	Brand Name Prescription Drug Non Formulary		Y		Discretionary
BB	Partial Hospitalization Psychiatric		Y		Discretionary
BC	Day Care Psychiatric		Y		Discretionary
BD	Cognitive Therapy		Y		Discretionary
BE	Massage Therapy		Y		Discretionary
BF	Pulmonary Rehabilitation		Y		Discretionary
BG	Cardiac Rehabilitation		Y	Y	Mandatory
BH	Pediatric		Y		Mandatory
BI	Nursery		Y		Discretionary
BK	Orthopedic		Y		Mandatory
BL	Cardiac		Y		Mandatory
BN	Gastrointestinal		Y		Mandatory
BR	Eye		Y		Mandatory
BS	Invasive Procedures		Y		Mandatory
BT	Gynecological		Y		Mandatory
BU	Obstetrical		Y		Mandatory
BV	Obstetrical Gynecological		Y		Mandatory
BW	Mail Order Prescription Drug Brand Name		Y		Discretionary
BX	Mail Order Prescription Drug Generic		Y		Discretionary
BY	Physician Visit Office Sick		Y		Mandatory
BZ	Physician Visit Office Well		Y		Mandatory
C1	Coronary Care		Y		Mandatory

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CA	Private Duty Nursing Inpatient		Y		Discretionary
CB	Private Duty Nursing Home		Y		Mandatory
CC	Surgical Benefits Professional Physician		Y		Mandatory
CD	Surgical Benefits Facility		Y		Mandatory
CE	Mental Health Provider Inpatient		Y		Discretionary
CF	Mental Health Provider Outpatient		Y		Discretionary
CG	Mental Health Facility Inpatient		Y		Discretionary
CH	Mental Health Facility Outpatient		Y		Discretionary
CI	Substance Abuse Facility Inpatient		Y		Discretionary
CJ	Substance Abuse Facility Outpatient		Y		Discretionary
CK	Screening X ray		Y		Discretionary
CL	Screening laboratory		Y		Mandatory
CM	Mammogram High Risk Patient		Y		Mandatory
CN	Mammogram Low Risk Patient		Y		Mandatory
CO	Flu Vaccination		Y		Discretionary
CP	Eyewear and Eyewear Accessories		Y		Discretionary
CQ	Case Management		Y		Discretionary
DG	Dermatology		Y		Mandatory
DM	Durable Medical Equipment		Y		Discretionary
DS	Diabetic Supplies		Y		Mandatory
GF	Generic Prescription Drug Formulary		Y		Discretionary
GN	Generic Prescription Drug Non Formulary		Y		Discretionary

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GY	Allergy		Y		Mandatory
IC	Intensive Care		Y		Discretionary
MH	Mental Health	Y	Y		Discretionary
NI	Neonatal Intensive Care		Y		Discretionary
ON	Oncology		Y		Mandatory
PT	Physical Therapy		Y	Y	Discretionary
PU	Pulmonary		Y		Mandatory
RN	Renal		Y		Mandatory
RT	Residential Psychiatric Treatment		Y		Discretionary
TC	Transitional Care		Y		Discretionary
TN	Transitional Nursery Care		Y		Mandatory
UC	Urgent Care	Y	Y		Mandatory

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**5.2. CORE Recommended Time Period Qualifier Codes**

CORE Recommended Time Period Qualifier Codes (v5010 X12 270/271)	CORE Recommended Time Period Qualifier Code Definitions (v5010 X12 270/271)	CORE Supplemental Description <sup>5</sup>
22	Service Year	A 365-day (366 in leap year) period. This period may not necessarily be a Calendar Year (for example April 1 through March 31).
23	Calendar Year	January 1 through December 31 of the same year.
25	Contract	The duration of the patient's specific coverage with the health plan.

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<sup>5</sup> CAQH CORE descriptions (clarification/meaning) provide a more explicit understanding of the specific time period applicable to the health plan deductible amounts.