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1 **Introduction**

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

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

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

13 **1. Electronic Delivery of Patient Financial and Benefit Information**

14 **1.1. Issue to be Addressed and Business Requirement Justification**

15 To electronically determine a patient's eligibility and benefits, providers need to have a robust ASC X12
16 005010X279A1 Eligibility Benefit Request and Response (270/271) (hereafter v5010 270/271). This
17 robust response includes the health plans providing financial information for base and remaining
18 deductible, co-insurance, co-payment and coverage and benefit information pertaining to telemedicine,
19 authorization or certification indication, and tiered benefits for those service types and procedure codes
20 that are heavily used by patients.

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

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

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

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

42 **1.2. Scope**

43 **1.2.1. What the Rule Applies To**

44 This CAQH CORE rule conforms with and builds upon the v5010 TR3 implementation guide and specifies
45 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).
- 66

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

- Segment in the v5010 271:

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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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 2110D Dependent 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
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 2115D 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

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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79 **1.2.6. Assumptions**

80 The following assumptions apply to this rule:

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

91 **1.2.7. Abbreviations and Definitions Used in this Rule**

92 Authorization/Certification: Provider prior authorization or certification received from the health plan to
93 enable the provider to be aware when they need to obtain payer approval prior to performing a service,
94 procedure, or testing on the patient to deliver more accurate patient financial responsibility for
95 procedures, treatment, and 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 in operation and
112 in force for the individual.

113 In/Out of Network¹: 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.

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

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123 Telemedicine/Telehealth: ~~Sometimes called Telehealth~~—is When a provider delivers care for a patient
124 without an in-person office visit, for example, online with internet access on a computer, tablet, or
125 smartphone or via 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 coverage status of the specific benefit (service
159 type) must be returned regardless of whether or not that status is separate and distinct from the status of
160 the health 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:

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- 165 • EB01 = I–Non-Covered
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

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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.

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

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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
- 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

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- 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.

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 telemedicine², 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~~ Telehealth Provided Other than in Patient’s Home) or 10 (Telehealth Provided in Patient’s
325 Home) , in Segment III³ (SUBSCRIBER/DEPENDENT ELIGIBILITY OR BENEFIT ADDITIONAL
326 INFORMATION), within Data Element III02 (INDUSTRY CODE) to indicate what service or benefit is
327 available for telemedicine as follows.

328
329 **EB Segment:**

- 330 ▪ EB01 = Eligibility or Benefit Information Code used to Identify the Eligibility or Benefit Information
331 ▪ EB02 = FAM–Family or IND–Individual as appropriate

² 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.

³ Reference ASC X12N v5010X279 271/2115C/2115D III Segment

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332 ▪ EB03 = <Service Type Code that is available for Telemedicine>

333 III Segment:

334 ▪ III01 = ZZ Place of Service Codes for CMS Professional Services

335 ▪ III02 = 02 Telehealth Provided Other than in Patient's Home or 10 Telehealth Provided in Patient's
336 Home (as appropriate) ~~(Code indicating a code from a specific industry code list)~~

337

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

- 340 • EB12 = N or Y as applicable

341 **1.3.2.12. Specifying Maximum and Remaining Coverage Benefits**

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

345 **1.3.2.12.1. Specifying Maximum Benefit**

346 A health plan and its agent must return maximum benefit limitations in the first occurrence of the an EB
347 segment Loop as follows.

348 ▪ EB Segment

349 • EB01 = F Limitations

350 • EB03 = <Applicable CORE-required STC for Remaining Benefits>

351 • EB06 = <Applicable Time Period Qualifier code; see §5.2 recommended qualifiers>

352 • EB07 = Monetary Amount as qualified by EB01 (when applicable)

353 • EB08 = Percentage Rate as qualified by EB01 (when applicable)

354 • EB09 = M2 Maximum - Use to specify the units conveyed in EB10 (when applicable)

355 • EB10 = Benefit Quantity (when applicable)

356 **1.3.2.12.2. Specifying Remaining Benefit**

357 A health plan and its agent must return the remaining benefits in the related remaining benefit limitation in
358 as EB segment occurrence of the EB Loop as follows:

359 • EB Segment

360 • EB01 = F Limitations

361 • EB03 = < Applicable CORE-required STC for Remaining Benefits>

362 • EB06 = 29 Remaining

363 • EB07 = Monetary Amount as qualified by EB01 (when applicable)

364 • EB08 = Percentage Rate as qualified by EB01 (when applicable)

365 • EB09 = Quantity Qualifier (when applicable)

366 • EB10 = Benefit Quantity (when applicable)

367 **1.3.2.12.3. Remaining Benefit with Date**

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

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- 370 • EB Segment
- 371 • EB03 = < Applicable CORE-required STC for Remaining Benefits >
- 372 • EB06 = <Applicable Time Period Qualifier code; see §5.2 recommended qualifiers>
- 373
- 374 • DTP Segment
- 375 • DTP01 = 348 Benefit Begin
- 376 • DTP02 = D8 Date Expressed in Format CCYYMMDD
- 377 • DTP03 = Next Eligible Date as applicable to the time period specified in EB06

1.3.2.13. Specifying Authorization/Certification

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

- 383 • EB11 = N or Y as applicable
- 384

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

- 388 • EB11 = U
- 389

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

- 392 • EB12 = N or Y as applicable

1.4. Procedure Codes: Electronic Delivery of Patient Financial and Benefit Information Rule Requirements

1.4.1. Basic Requirements for Submitters (Providers, Provider Vendors and Information Receivers)

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

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

1.4.2. Basic Requirements for Health Plans and Information Sources

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

1.4.2.1. Health Plan Name

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

1.4.2.2. Eligibility Dates

411 The v5010 270 may request a benefit coverage date 12 months in the past or up to the end of the current
412 month. If the inquiry is outside of this date range and the health plan (or information source) does not

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413 support eligibility inquiries outside of this date range, the v5010 271 must include the AAA segment with
414 code "62" Date of Service Not Within Allowable Inquiry Period in the AAA03-901 Reject Reason Code
415 data element.

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

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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>
- 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

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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 procedure code
517 service type as 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

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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
- 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 to
548 them and the MSG segment content must begin with "MSG*Benefit Tier cannot be determined..."

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]

563
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
567 **4. Conformance Requirements**

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 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 ⁴
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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⁴ CAQH CORE descriptions (clarification/meaning) provide a more explicit understanding of the specific time period applicable to the health plan deductible amounts.