

PURCHASE ITEM MASTER REVIEW

Many health care organizations experience difficulties capturing and billing supply charges due to inconsistencies between the purchase item master (PIM) and the Charge Description Master (CDM) billing system. Many times these systems are not linked; and therefore become unsynchronized resulting in lost revenue and other compliance concerns.

PARA's Purchase Item Master Review brings together the coding and financial analytic components of our services to create a link and a process to appropriately maintain the systems simultaneously.

The analysis compares the PIM to the CDM and identifies the link between the two systems as well as:

- Determines which items are included in the PIM but not in the CDM files and which are in the CDM but not in the PIM
- **PARA** Coding Staff will review each line item in the PIM to determine its Medicare billable status
- All revenue and HCPCS codes for supply items will be reviewed and updated for correct coding
- Any billable PIM items which are not currently contained in the CDM will be created and activated in the CDM
- Any CDM item which cannot be linked to a PIM item will be inactivated

The screenshot displays the PARA Data Editor interface for a demonstration hospital. The top navigation bar includes tabs for Select, Charge Quote, Charge Process, Claim/RA, Contracts, Pricing Data, Pricing, Rx/Supplies, Filters, CDM, Calculator, Advisor, Admin, RAC, CAT, and PARA. The main interface is divided into several sections:

- Coding Filters:** Includes a list of items for review (e.g., Supplies - Revenue Codes, Implants Identified For Review), radio buttons for Recommended Changes (All, Approved, Not Approved), dropdowns for Changed By and Comment By, and checkboxes for various filters like Pharmacy, Transmittal, Service, and Quantity.
- Pricing Filters:** Includes checkboxes for Recommended Price, Same CPT w/ Different Price, Relative To Market (with radio buttons for Below Average, Below Midpoint, Above High), and Price Below Clinical Lab, Professional Fees, DME, APC Status T, APC Status S, and APC Status X.
- Charge Quote:** Includes dropdowns for Package (00 Test) and Add On (CT Contrast).
- CDM:** Includes a dropdown for Department (3010 - Total Items: 00016), a Sort By dropdown (Procedure Code), radio buttons for Ascending/Descending, and a View CDM By dropdown (Summary, Detail).
- Reports:** Includes dropdowns for Audit (Unit of service - per ml/sq cm) and Service (Allergy), with Create PDF buttons.

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