

New 3M 360 Encompass System - Professional Promotes Accurate and Compliant Professional Fee Coding

3M Health Information Systems is expanding its market-leading 3M 360 Encompass System platform to introduce 3M 360 Encompass System - Professional, the industry's first encounter-based professional fee coding solution. The new software brings the power of 3M's computer-assisted coding, physician query capability and reporting to coding and billing for physician services, helping professional coders improve productivity, boost compliance and decrease claim denials.

With the 3M 360 Encompass System as its foundation, 3M 360 Professional breaks down the wall between professional fee coding and inpatient and outpatient facility coding. The software allows coders to work from one technology platform, making it possible to bridge clinical documentation improvement (CDI) programs with all coding workflows and achieve collaboration across coding functions - increasingly important to revenue cycle success as professional fee coding operations become more centralized within hospital health information management (HIM) and revenue cycle departments or hospital medical groups.

The University of New Mexico Hospitals (UNMH), a five-hospital system and New Mexico's only academic medical center and level one trauma center, is piloting the new 3M 360 Professional software.

"Expanding our use of 3M's 360 Encompass System will allow us to capture more consistent diagnoses between our provider billing and our facility billing, and pave the way for single path coding in the future," said Catherine Porto, RHIA, Executive Director of HIM at UNMH. "We see tremendous benefits in bringing computer-assisted coding to our professional fee coders, as well as enhancing their ability to participate in our CDI efforts. We feel that 3M is well ahead of the market in terms of product functionality for an HIM department."

3M Health Information Systems will showcase the new software at the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) Convention, October 16-19 in Baltimore, MD. AHIMA attendees can view a full software demo at 3M booth #801 and access the new 3M case study, [Uncovering Reimbursement Opportunities and Compliance Risk: Professional Fee Coding](#).

3M 360 Professional builds on three decades of 3M experience in developing the industry's most accurate and compliant coding and classification systems, used by more than 5,000 hospitals worldwide. The new software is the latest addition to the 3M 360 Encompass System platform, extending its natural language processing (NLP) benefits to professional fee coders. Healthcare organizations using the 3M 360 Encompass System for computer-assisted coding (CAC), clinical documentation improvement (CDI), quality metrics and analytics can now take the next step to more efficiently connect professional fee coding with facility coding.

Visit www.3m.com/his/360Professional or call 800-367-2447 for more information about 3M 360 Professional and the 3M 360 Encompass System platform. Learn more about 3M Health Information Systems at www.3m.com/his or @3MHISNews.

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