



## Medicare Coverage Database

### Latest Site Updates – December 2024

New functionality has been incorporated into the CMS Medicare Coverage Database (MCD). These changes became effective 12/10/2024:

#### Basket:

1. Added a new **Create Link to Basket** feature, allowing users to create a URL to their Basket.
2. Added instructions to the **Email Basket** modal for sending the Basket to multiple recipients (i.e., separating multiple email addresses with a comma or semi-colon).
3. Resolved an issue where the Basket was expiring early, and Basket contents were unintentionally removed.

#### Help & Resources:

4. Updated the **How To – Search** document to include instructions on creating a link to the Basket, using the new **Create Link to Basket** feature.

#### Search Results:

5. Updated the **Page Help** on the **Search Results** page to include instructions for the **Keyword Search** filter options (i.e., starts with, all words, any word).

#### Document Views:

6. Added a pop-up message to the document view that indicates when a more recent version of an NCD or Decision Memo exists. The message only displays when viewing an older version of an NCD or Decision Memo.
7. Added an indicator to documents in the **Related Local Coverage Documents** section of LCDs, Articles, Proposed LCDs, and Draft Articles to indicate if the linked related document is Retired or Future Effective.

#### Downloads:

8. Added the **Article\_related\_NCD\_documents** crosswalk table to Articles Downloads (data and data dictionary). The updated Data Dictionary will be available in the stand-alone **Download Data Dictionary** link on the **MCD Downloads** page on 12/10/2024 (after 7pm). The updated Data Dictionary will not be included in the download zip package in the **Download Data** link on the **MCD Downloads** page until 12/12/2024 (Weekly Refresh date).