

How To - MCD Tool Tips

Helpful tips for using the Medicare Coverage Database (MCD).

Table 1 MCD Tool Tips

Tip	Description
Conduct a Blank Search	Allows you to access all of the search filter options quickly. On the Search page, click the Submit Search button (green magnifying glass) without entering any text in the Search box or selecting a state to conduct a “blank search.” This will take you directly to the Search Results page which displays many additional filters that you can use to narrow your results.
Bookmark the Current Page Ctrl+D	Allows you to bookmark the current open browser tab. This works throughout Windows browsers and is especially helpful to bookmark a favorite MCD report or the Search Results page. Some users prefer to use a link directly to the Search Results page to use the filters to narrow their search, instead of starting on the Search page. <i>For Mac users: Command+D</i>
Find Ctrl+F	Allows you to locate a specific word or phrase on the current open browser tab. Press the Ctrl key and the F key at the same time and enter the term you would like to find. This works throughout Windows applications and is very helpful if you're looking for a specific code or term in a Coverage document. <i>For Mac users: Command+F</i>
Print & Save to PDF Ctrl+P	Allows you to print the current open browser tab. Press the Ctrl key and the P key at the same time and select the desired Print options in your browser's print window. This works throughout Windows applications. You can Print to PDF (i.e., save a PDF version of the document you are viewing) by selecting PDF in the destination option in your browser's print window. <i>For Mac users: Command+P</i>
Multi-select in Picklist Ctrl+click or Shift+click	Allows you to select multiple pick list items. In a pick list, click the first item you want to select with your mouse, then hold down the Ctrl key while you click the remaining item(s) you wish to select. You can also use Ctrl+click to de-select items in the list. If you are selecting a group of items in immediate succession, you can use “Shift” instead of “Ctrl” and choose the first and last item in the list and it will select everything in between. For example, on the Search Results page, in the All States filter drop-down list, click on Alaska, hold down the Ctrl key and click on Delaware and you will have both Alaska and Delaware selected in the list. Or, select Colorado, hold down the Shift key and click on Florida. You will have Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, DC, and Florida selected. This generally works throughout Windows applications. <i>For Mac users: Command+click or Shift+click</i>
Pro Tip - Hard Refresh F5 Ctrl+F5 Shift+F5 Ctrl+Shift+R Ctrl+Shift+Delete	Allows you to refresh the information displayed on the current page. F5 or Ctrl + R = Reloads the current page (using unexpired cached content, when possible). Shift + F5 or Ctrl + Shift + R = Forces a fresh reload of the most recent content of the current page (does not use cached content). Ctrl + Shift + Delete = Deletes the cached content. Follow the options on your browser to clear your browsing data.