

CMS Reconsideration of MRI NCD

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) recently reconsidered its national coverage determination for Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) services. Specifically, CMS determined the evidence is sufficient to conclude that magnetic resonance imaging for Medicare beneficiaries with an implanted pacemaker (PM), implantable cardioverter defibrillator (ICD), cardiac resynchronization therapy pacemaker (CRT-P), or cardiac resynchronization therapy defibrillator (CRT-D) is reasonable and necessary for the diagnosis or treatment of illness or injury. CMS further eliminated the Coverage with Evidence Development that previously applied to MRI services for these patients.

For complete information, see:

<https://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/nca-decision-memo.aspx?NCAId=289>

To view the SCMR's joint comments with ACC, ACR and HRS, [click here](#).

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