

Table of V.43 MS-DRG Codes and Service Line Categories¹

HCAHPS Sampling Protocol Service Line – MS-DRG Crosswalk for HCAHPS		
<u>MS-DRG</u>	<u>Service Line</u>	<u>Eligible for HCAHPS</u>
768, 783-788, 796-798, 805-807 <i>Note: While the Federal Register classifies these codes as medical or surgical, for HCAHPS they are to be coded as Maternity Care.</i>	1 = Maternity Care	Yes
14, 16-18, 52-76, 80-103, 121-125, 146-159, 175-208, 280-282, 286-293, 296-316, 368-395, 432-446, 533-566, 592-607, 637-645, 682-684, 686-690, 693-700, 722-730, 754-761, 776, 779, 808-816, 831-849, 862-872, 913-923, 933-935, 947-951, 963-965, 974-977	2 = Medical	Yes
1-8, 10-13, 19-42, 113-117, 135-145, 163-168, 173, 209, 212-213, 215-221, 228-229, 231-236, 239-245, 250-279, 317-337, 344-360, 397-399, 402, 405-430, 447-448, 450-451, 456-458, 461-483, 485-489, 492-508, 510-522, 570-585, 614-630, 650-675, 707-718, 734-750, 769-770, 799-804, 817-830, 850, 853-858, 901-909, 927-929, 939-941, 955-959, 969-970, 981-983, 987-989	3 = Surgical	Yes
283-285, 789-795, 876, 880-887, 894-897, 945-946, 998-999	Ineligible	No
A missing MS-DRG code does not exclude a patient from being drawn into the sample frame.	M = Missing	Yes

*Note: Ineligible MS-DRGs include patients with MS-DRGs for **newborn, psychiatric, substance abuse, rehabilitation, or deceased**, and MS-DRGs with no assigned type.*

If a patient with an ineligible MS-DRG code from the above table is drawn into the sample, please code the Final Survey Status, as “3 – Ineligible: Not in eligible population.”

Please verify that the hospital is not using any of the ineligible MS-DRG codes as a “filler” code (e.g., 999) prior to obtaining the final billing MS-DRG code.

If patient service line is unknown at time of sample frame creation and the patient is otherwise eligible for HCAHPS, then include the patient in the sample frame.

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¹ This table of MS-DRG codes is based on Table 5 of the FY 2026 Federal Register Notice, Vol. 90, No. 147 / Monday, August 4, 2025.