AAPC	American Academy of Professional Coders
ABN	Advance beneficiary notice
ACA	Affordable Care Act
ACDIS	Association of Clinical Documentation Integrity Specialists
ACE	Adverse childhood experience
ADR	Additional documentation request
AHA	American Hospital Association
AHIMA	American Health Information Management Association
AHRQ	Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
AKI	Acute kidney injury
AMA	American Medical Association
AMI	Acute myocardial infarction
AMS	Altered mental status
AOA	American Osteopathic Association
APC	Ambulatory payment classification
APM	Alternative Payment Model
APR-DRG	All Patient Refined DRG
ARRA	American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
ASC	Ambulatory surgery center
ASP	Average sales price
ASPEN	American Society for Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition
AWP	Average wholesale price
BA	Business associate
BAA	Business associate agreement
CABG	Coronary artery bypass graft
CAH	Critical access hospital
CC	Complication and comorbidity
CCDS	Certified Clinical Documentation Specialist
CCHIT	Certification Commission for Health Information Technology
CCR	Continuity of care record (or cost-to-charge ratio)
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CDI	Clinical documentation integrity
CDM	Charge description master
CE	Covered entity
CERHT	Certified Electronic Health Record Technology
CERT	Comprehensive Error Rate Testing
CHF	Congestive heart failure
CISO	Chief information security officer
CKD	Chronic kidney disease
CM	Case management
CMI	Case-mix index

CMS	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
CMSA	Consolidated Metropolitan Statistical Area
CMSA	Case Management Society of America
COBRA	Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985, Public Law 99-272
COPD	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
CPI	Consumer price index
CPT®	Current Procedural Terminology
CRNA	Certified registered nurse anesthetist
CT	Computed tomography
CY	Calendar year
DED	Dedicated emergency department
DMEPOS	Durable medical equipment, prosthetics, orthotics, and supplies
DND	Detailed Notice of Discharge
DRA	Deficit Reduction Act of 2005, Pub. L. 109-171
DRG	Diagnosis-related group
DSH	Disproportionate share hospital
E/M	Evaluation and management
ED	Emergency department
EDMS	Electronic document management system
EHR	Electronic health record
EMR	Electronic medical record
EMT	Emergency medical technician
EMTALA	Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act of 1986, Pub. L. 99-272
EOB	Explanation of benefits
ePHI	Electronic protected health information
ESRD	End-stage renal disease
FDA	U.S. Food and Drug Administration
FFS	Fee-for-service
FFY	Federal fiscal year
FI	Fiscal intermediary
FY	Fiscal year
GAF	Geographic adjustment factor
GME	Graduate medical education
GMLOS	Geometric mean length of stay
H&P	History and physical
HAC	Hospital-acquired condition
HCC	Hierarchical Condition Category

HCCA	Health Care Compliance Association
HCFA	Health Care Financing Administration
HCPCS	Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System
HCRIS	Hospital Cost Report Information System
HHA	Home health agency
HHS	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
HIC	Health insurance card
HIM	Health information management
HIMSS	Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society
HINN	Hospital-Issued Notice of Non-Coverage
HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996
HIS	Health information system/services
HIT	Healthcare information technology
HITECH Act	Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act
HMO	Health maintenance organization
HQA	Hospital Quality Alliance
HQI	Hospital Quality Initiative
HRRP	Hospital Readmissions Reduction Program
HSA	Health savings account
HSRVcc	Hospital-specific relative value cost center
HTN	Hypertension
HVBP	Hospital Value-Based Purchasing
ICD-9-CM	International Classification of Diseases, 9th Revision, Clinical Modification
ICD-10-CM	International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision, Clinical Modification
ICD-10-PCS	International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision, Procedure Coding System
ICU	Intensive care unit
HIS	Indian Health Service
IM	Important Message from Medicare
IME	Indirect medical education
I/OCE	Integrated Outpatient Code Editor
IOM	Institute of Medicine
IPF	Inpatient psychiatric facility
IPPS	Inpatient prospective payment system
IRF	Inpatient rehabilitation facility
IT	Information technology
IV	Intravenous
JAMA	Journal of the American Medical Association
JCAHO	Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (now known as The Joint Commission)

KDIGO   Kidney Disease: Improving Global Outcomes

LCD   Local coverage determination
LOS   Length of stay
LTC-DRG   Long-term care diagnosis-related group
LTCH   Long-term care hospital

MAC   Medicare Administrative Contractor
MACRA   Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act of 2015
MCC   Major complication and comorbidity
MCO   Managed care organization
MDC   Major diagnostic category
MDH   Medicare dependent hospital (small rural)
MedPAC   Medicare Payment Advisory Commission
MedPAR   Medicare Provider Analysis and Review
MIC   Medicaid Integrity Contractor
MIPS   Merit-based Incentive Payment System
MMA   Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003
MOON   Medicare Outpatient Observation Notice
MRHFP   Medicare Rural Hospital Flexibility Program
MRI   Magnetic resonance imaging (or image)
MS-DRG   Medicare Severity DRG

NAHIT   National Alliance for Health Information Technology
NAHRI   National Association of Healthcare Revenue Integrity
NCCI   National Correct Coding Initiative
NCD   National coverage determination
NCHS   National Center for Health Statistics
NCQA   National Committee for Quality Assurance
NCVHS   National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics
NHIN   National Health Information Network
NICU   Neonatal intensive care unit
NPI   National Provider Identifier
NQF   National Quality Forum
NTAP   New technology add-on payment
NVHRI   National Voluntary Hospital Reporting Initiative

OCE   Outpatient code editor
OCR   Office for Civil Rights
OES   Occupational employment statistics
OIG   Office of Inspector General
OMB   Office of Management and Budget

OPPS	Outpatient prospective payment system
OR	Operating room
OSCAR	Online Survey Certification and Reporting (System)
PBD	Provider-based department
PDX	Principal diagnosis
PEPPER	Program for Evaluating Payment Patterns Electronic Report
PHE	Public health emergency
PHI	Protected health information
PHR	Personal health record
PO	By mouth
POA	Present on admission
PPE	Personal protective equipment
PPI	Producer price index
PPS	Prospective payment system
PRA	Per resident amount
PRM	Provider Reimbursement Manual
PRRB	Provider Reimbursement Review Board
PS&R	Provider Statistical and Reimbursement (System)
PSI	Patient Safety Indicator
QIO	Quality Improvement Organization
QPP	Quality Payment Program
RA	Remittance advice
RAC	Recovery Audit Contractor
RBC	Red blood cell
RC	Revenue code
RHC	Rural health clinic
RHIO	Regional health information organization
ROI	Release of information (or return on investment)
ROM	Risk of mortality
RW	Relative weight
RX	Prescription
RY	Rate year
SAF	Standard analytic file
SCH	Sole community hospital
SGR	Sustainable growth rate
SI	Status indicator
SIRS	Systemic inflammatory response syndrome
SLP	Speech-language pathologist
SNF	Skilled nursing facility

SOCs   Standard occupational classifications
SOI   Severity of illness
SSA   Social Security Administration
SSI   Supplemental Security Income

TAG   Technical Advisory Group
TIA   Transient ischemic attack

UHDDS   Uniform Hospital Discharge Data Set
UR   Utilization review

VBP   Value-based purchasing

WBC   White blood cell
WHO   World Health Organization

ZPIC   Zone Program Integrity Contractor