
Subject: New Nature and Cause of Injury Codes for COVID-19 Claims Reporting

On March 20th, the Workers Compensation Insurance Organization (WCIO) approved the addition of a new Cause of Injury Code (DN0037) of “83” for “Pandemic”, and a new Nature of Injury Code (DN0035) of “83” for “COVID-19”, applicable to dates of loss beginning December 1, 2019 and later. The International Association of Industrial Accident Boards and Commissions ([IAIABC](#)) recommends that EDI reporting and collection systems be modified to recognize these new codes by April 1, 2020. The new Injury Description Tables may be found on the [WCIO website, Injury Description Table](#).

Many states (CA, MN, NE, NJ, NY) have already announced the adoption of these codes and more are expected to do so, as their systems are modified to accept their use. Clients who are current members of the IAIABC EDI committees can access the IAIABC bulletin boards on [EDI General Interest](#) and on [Jurisdiction News and Notices](#) to view the individual state adoptions of these new codes, or visit individual state websites for jurisdiction-specific announcements.

If you have additional questions, please contact your Account Manager.