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Dear Optum360 2020 *Current Procedural Coding* Customer:

The American Medical Association (AMA) has issued the following update in reference to COVID-19. At the May 2020 AMA Editorial Panel meeting, CPT® code 0202U was added to the code set.

Included below is the new code that can be marked in your book. Our customer service team is available to answer any questions at 1.800.464.3649, option 1.

Additional information on the update can be found at <https://www.ama-assn.org/practice-management/cpt/cpt-releases-new-coronavirus-covid-19-code-description-testing>. On this same AMA website page is an additional link for *CPT® Assistant* guidance.

Thank you for your patience and support of our ongoing efforts to deliver high-quality products. We value you as an Optum360 customer.

Sincerely,

Optum360
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The following are changes effective May 20, 2020:

New Codes

- 0202U Infectious disease (bacterial or viral respiratory tract infection), pathogen-specific nucleic acid (DNA or RNA), 22 targets including severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2), qualitative RT-PCR, nasopharyngeal swab, each pathogen reported as detected or not detected