

VitalAuditor™

User Guide

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Vitalware's mid-cycle revenue product portfolio is the healthcare industry's best solution for providing visibility and continuity in chargemaster management, documentation, charge capture, and regulatory code references.

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Chapter 1: Getting Started

Information about using your product to manage case results, including how to update case values, search case results, add case notes, view case history, export case data, and more.

What is VitalAuditor™?

VitalAuditor empowers hospital revenue cycle and compliance professionals to confidently take charge of their real-time post-bill batch auditing to reduce costly denials and delayed reimbursement.

VitalAuditor is the only medical coding audit tool that examines both soft- and hard-coded claims, individually or in batches. It enables clear, easy tiered reporting at the claim, manager, and executive level, to help with buy-in and ensure everyone in the hospital is on the same page.

VitalAuditor enables revenue cycle team members to efficiently audit by:

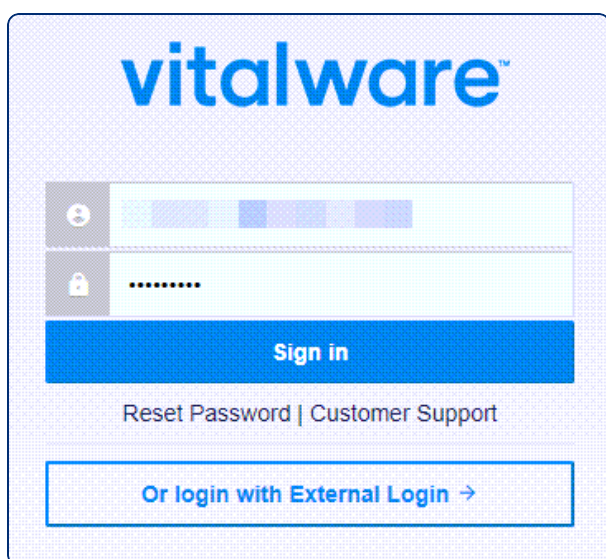
- Individuals
 - » Coders
 - » Providers
 - » Billers
- Data Types
 - » Individual DRG and DRG range
 - » Service type
 - » Individual code, modifier, and unit of service
 - » Specificity
 - » Known risk areas
 - » And more...

Signing in to Vitalware

The Vitalware dashboard is the home screen and access point for your Vitalware products.

To open the dashboard:

1. Browse to www.vitalware.com and select **Sign in** at the upper-right corner of your screen.
2. Enter your Vitalware **username** and **password** and select **Sign in**.

The image shows a screenshot of the Vitalware sign-in interface. At the top is the 'vitalware' logo in blue. Below it are two input fields: the first for a username (indicated by a person icon) and the second for a password (indicated by a lock icon and masked with dots). A blue 'Sign in' button is positioned below the password field. Underneath the button are the links 'Reset Password | Customer Support'. At the bottom is a button labeled 'Or login with External Login →'.

Note: If your organization uses single sign-on (SSO) credentials, select **Or login with External Login** and enter your single sign-on **username** and **password**.

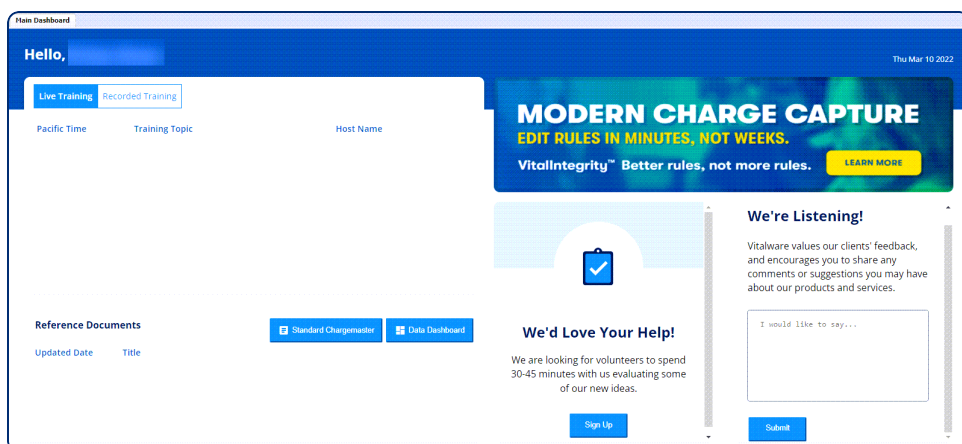
The Vitalware sign in dialog box also allows you to:

- Reset your password
- Display customer support contact information

The Vitalware Dashboard

From the Vitalware dashboard you can:

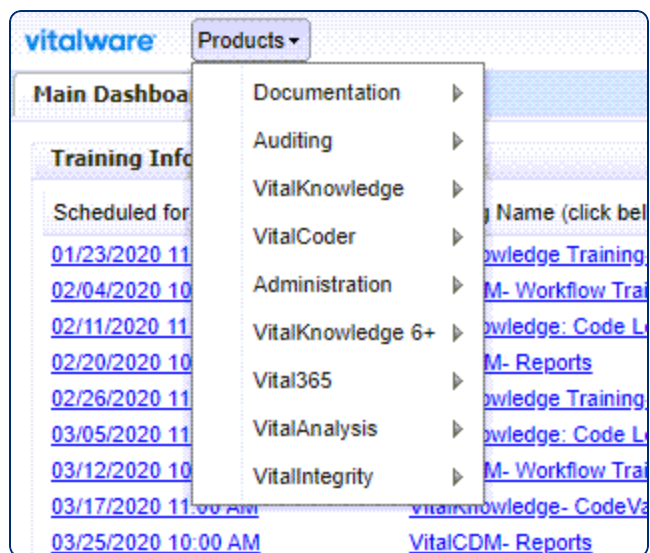
- Open your products
- Sign up for future live training classes
- View recorded training classes
- Find Vitalware data reference versions, effective dates, update dates, and scheduled update dates
- View examples of standard chargemaster data
- Send comments or feedback to Vitalware
- Sign up for volunteer product evaluations



Opening My Vitalware Product

To open your product from the Vitalware dashboard:

1. Select **Products**.
2. Click your product name in the drop-down list.

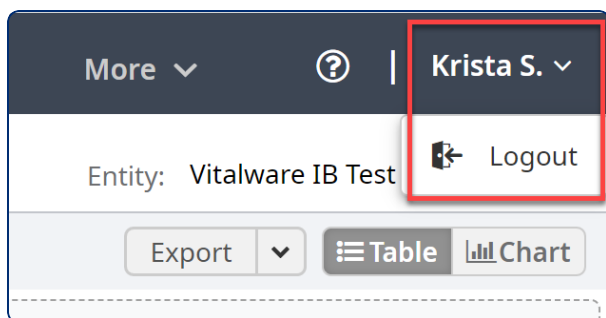


Note: Only the products you are licensed for will appear in your product list.

Signing out of Vitalware

To sign out of your Vitalware session:

1. Click the **Profile** icon in the dashboard title bar.
2. Select **Logout** from the drop-down list.



Warning: It is important to sign out of your Vitalware product to clear your **username** and **password** from the browser session and avoid a potential security risk.

Chapter 2: Managing Claims

Find details about using your product to manage claims.

Viewing Claims

The claims that display in your **Claims** table belong to an **Entity**, or organization that owns the set of claims. You may have access to one or more entities in your role.

If you only have access to one **Entity**, then its claims automatically display in your table when you open VitalAuditor. If you have access to multiple entities, then you must select one in the **Select Entity** box to display claims in your table.

To select an **Entity**:

1. Click the **Caret** icon in the **Select Entity** box on the left side of your toolbar.
2. Select an **Entity** from the drop-down list to display its claims on your table.



You can open additional **Entity** claim sets in order to move rapidly between them as you work. The claims for each open **Entity** appear in their own table view.

To open an additional **Entity**:

1. Click the **Plus** icon next to the **Select Entity** box.
2. Select another **Entity** from the list to open an additional box on your toolbar, and display its claims on your table.

- 3. Click on the **Entity** boxes on your toolbar to move back and forth between **Entity** table views. The **Entity** box turns blue to indicate which claims are visible on your table.

Click the **X** next to an entity's name on your toolbar to close that entity.




 **Note:** Options on your **Entity** drop-down list are determined by your access rights.

Table View

After selecting an option in the **Select Entity** drop-down list, a default case set will display in your **Case Results** table. The claims are default sorted by descending **Admit Date**, and then **Claim ID**. You can customize your table view by moving, hiding, and sorting columns.

Sorting Table Columns

To sort columns in a table, click on a **Column Title** one or more times. Arrow and number sorting indicators display in the column header to indicate the sort direction and multicolumn sort level.

Remove column sorting by clicking each sorted **Column Title** until the sort indicators disappear.

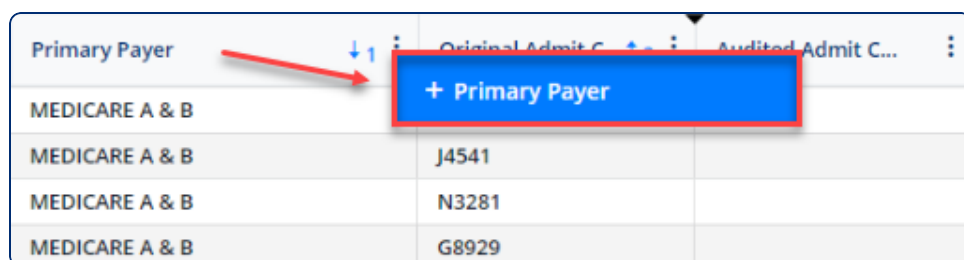
Primary Payer	Original Admit C...	Audited Admit C...
MEDICARE A & B	I10	I10
MEDICARE A & B	J4541	
MEDICARE A & B	N3281	
MEDICARE A & B	G8929	
HP UNITED	E789	



Note: Sorting on a column will sort all rows in your claim set, including those not visible on the open page.

Moving Table Columns


To move columns in a table, drag a **Column Title** to a new location in the table header row.

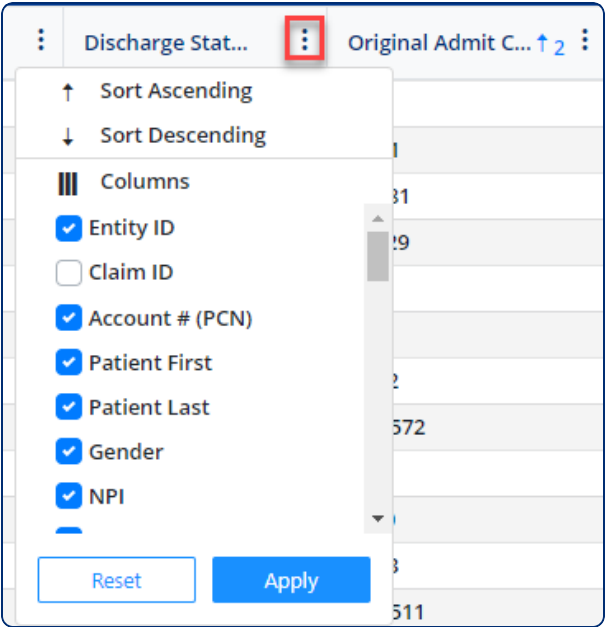


Primary Payer	Original Admit C...	Audited Admit C...
MEDICARE A & B		
MEDICARE A & B	J4541	
MEDICARE A & B	N3281	
MEDICARE A & B	G8929	

Hiding Table Columns

To hide columns in a table:

1. Click the **Column Menu** icon  in the column header that you want to hide.
2. Clear the check mark next to the column you want to hide in the drop-down list.
3. Click **Apply**.



Note: Clicking **Reset** on the drop-down list will recheck all columns.

The number of claims displayed in the table can be found in the **Pagination** bar at the bottom of the table. You can use the **Pagination** bar arrows to move through the table pages.



Searching Claims

The primary **Search Options** pane opens on the left side of your **Claims** screen. It includes a **More Search Options** button which opens the **Advanced Search** pane. Make selections or entries in either pane to refine the claim set displayed in your table.

Primary Searching


The **Search Options** pane allows you to:

- Enter an **MRN** number in the **Search MRN or Account** box to display the claims in your **Claims** table (disregards other search options).
- Enter an **Account** number in the **Search MRN or Account** box to open the **Claim Details** screen for the account (disregards other search options).
- Make selections or entries *in one or more* of the following check boxes, drop-down lists, date ranges, and text boxes to refine the claim set in your table. The claim set displayed will meet *all* the following options you enter or select.
 - » **Patient Type** - check one or more types (selecting all *or none* includes all types)
 - » **Admit Date** - enter a **Start Date** and **End Date**
 - » **Discharge Date** - enter a **Start Date** and **End Date**
 - » **Code Select** - enter a complete code, or a minimum of three characters to select from a drop-down list
 - » **DRG Select** - enter a complete DRG, or a minimum of three characters to select from a drop-down list
 - » **First Name** - enter a patient first name
 - » **Last Name** - enter a patient last name

- » **Number of Random Claims** - enter the number of random claims to display that meet *all* your search criteria
- » **More Search Options** - click this button to open the **Advanced Search** pane for additional search options

Click **Enter** on your keyboard, or **Search** at the bottom of the search pane, to perform your search. A **Search Criteria Applied** notification appears when your search is active.

Clear your search by selecting **Clear** at the bottom of the pane.

Search Options 

Filter Search

Patient Type
☐ Inpatient
☐ Outpatient
☐ Professional

Admit Date

Discharge Date

Code Select

DRG Select

First Name

Last Name



Note: Collapse and expand the **Search Options** pane and the **Advanced Search** pane using the **Caret** icon in the pane headers.

Advanced Searching

The **Advanced Search** pane opens when you click **More Search Options** on the **Search Options** pane.



Note: Options you have selected or entered on the primary **Search Options** pane are present on the **Advanced Search** pane when you open it.

The **Advanced Search** pane allows you to make selections, or add **Column Search** rows, to refine the claim set in your table. The claim set displayed will meet *all* the following options you have entered or selected:

- **Patient Type** - check one or more types (selecting *all or none* includes all types)
- **Column Search** - select a **Field** (Column), a **Condition** (Operator), and the **Criteria** (Value)
- **Code Select** - enter a complete code, or a minimum of three characters to select from a drop-down list
- **DRG Select** - enter a complete DRG, or a minimum of three characters to select from a drop-down list
- **Number of Random Claims** - enter the number of random claims to display that meet *all* your search criteria
- **Percentage of Random Claims** - enter the percentage of random claims to display that meet all your search criteria



Note: You can choose either a number *or* percentage of random claims for your search result, but not both.

Advanced Search

Patient Type
☐ Inpatient ☐ Outpatient ☐ Professional

Column Search

Column: Condition: Criteria:

Code Select: DRG Select:

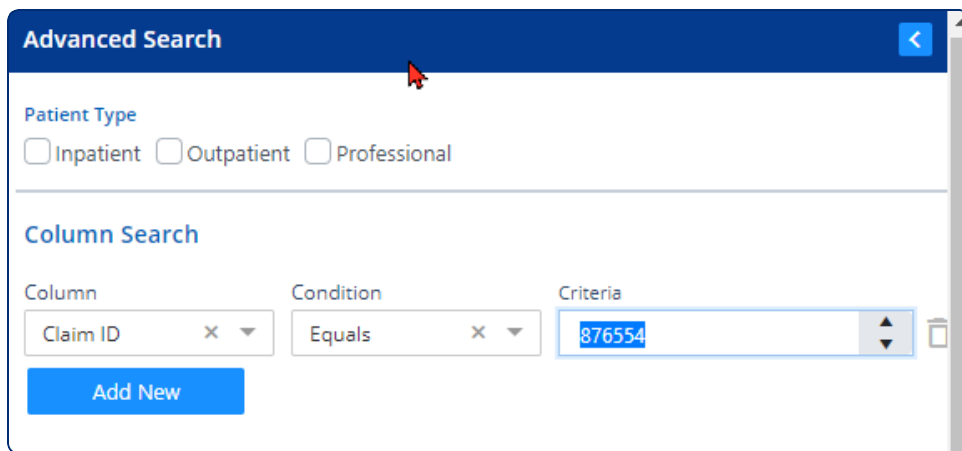
Random Claims: Percentage of Random Claims:

[Less Search Options](#) [Clear](#) [Search](#)

Multiple **Column Search** rows can be added for more complex searches. If you add multiple rows, the resulting claim set must satisfy the criteria in *all of the rows combined*.

To add **Column Search** rows:

1. Click **Add New** in the **Column Search** section
2. Select a **Field** (Column), a **Condition** (Operator), and the **Criteria** (Value)
3. Repeat Steps 1-2 for additional rows
4. Click **Enter** on your keyboard, or **Search** at the bottom of the search pane to perform your search.



Advanced Search

Patient Type

☐ Inpatient ☐ Outpatient ☐ Professional

Column Search

Column	Condition	Criteria
Claim ID x	Equals x	876554

Add New

Column Search rows can be deleted by clicking on the **TrashCan** icon at the end of each row. Click **Clear** to clear your search options and start over.



Note: When using **Between** as a **Condition** on the **Advanced Search** pane, the value or date entered in the first **Criteria** box must be less than, or earlier than, your second value.

Close the **Advanced Search** pane by clicking **Less Search Options**.

Selecting Claims for Batch or Audit

Select one or more claims to view **Claim Details**, create a batch, or perform an audit.

Select a claim by clicking a **Select** check box, or select all claims on a page by clicking the **Select All** check box in the column header. The table **Action** bar displays the number of claims selected.

✕ Clear Selection

+ Create Batch

+ Add to Batch

Assign

View

Claims selected: 3

	Entity ID	Claim ID	Account # (PCN)	Patient First	Patient Last
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	20461				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	20461				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	20461				
<input type="checkbox"/>	20461				



Note: You can select up to ten claims for viewing or auditing on the **Claim Details** screen.

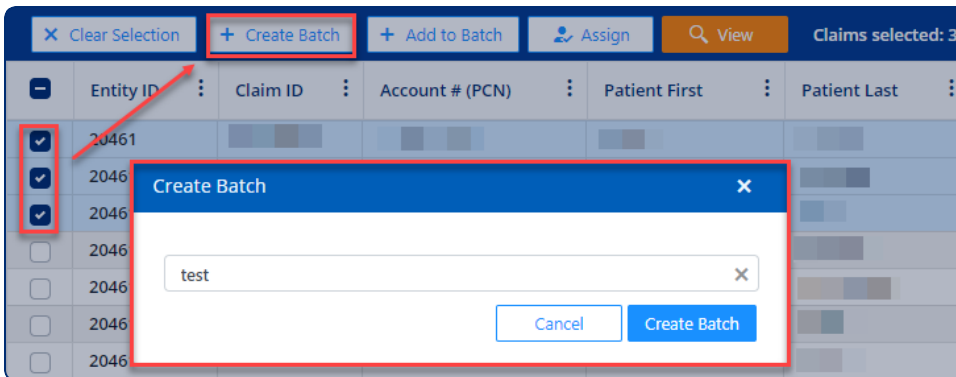
Clear selected claims by clicking each **Select** check box again, or clicking the **Clear Selection** button to clear all selected claims.

Creating and Managing Claim Batches

You can create one or more claim batches to organize your claims for audit. Audit (batch) names and workflow status can be customized to satisfy your needs, and notes can be added.

To create a **Claim Batch**:

1. Select one or more claims using the **Select** check boxes.
2. Click the **Create Batch** button in your table **Action** bar to open the **Create Batch** dialog.
3. Enter a batch name and click the **Create Batch** button in the dialog.



View your batches by selecting the **Batch View** icon in your **Claims** table **Action** bar.



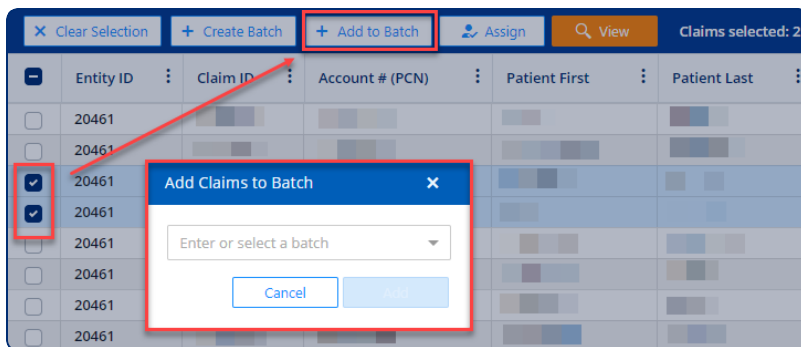
The **Batch View** displays new and existing collapsed claim batches. Each batch header includes the name, creation date, status of the batch, and a drop-down **Caret** icon to open the batch.

Audit 1023: test batch						Date: 02/09/2021	Status: -	▼
<input type="checkbox"/>	Entity ID	Claim ID	Account # (PCN)	Patient First	Patient Last	Gen		
<input type="checkbox"/>						F		
<input type="checkbox"/>						F		

Adding Claims to a Batch

You can add claims to an existing **Batch** with the following instructions.

1. Select one or more claims using the **Select** check boxes.
2. Click the **Add to Batch** button in your table **Action** bar to open the **Add Claims to Batch** dialog.
3. Enter or select a batch name and click the **Add** button in the dialog.



Viewing and Updating Batches

Expand or collapse a **Batch** by clicking the **Caret** icon on the right side of each **Batch** header.

The **Batch Details** section allows you to:

- Rename a **Audit** (Batch)
- Select a batch **Status**
- Add or view batch **Notes**

The **Batch** table displays the claims you selected for your batch. You can remove one or more claims from your **Batch** by selecting them on the **Batch** table, then clicking **Remove Claims** on your **Action** bar.

Click the **Update** button if you update details or remove claims, and **Cancel** to close the section without updates.

×

Clear Selection

Remove Claims

Assign

View

Claims selected: 0

Audit 6: test 2

Created Date: 03/18/2021

Status: Open

⬆

Audit Name

test 2

×

Status

Open

×

▼

Notes

Add note

Date	Added By	Note
No records available.		

⏪ ⏩ 0 - 0 of 0 items

Cancel

Update

☐

Entity ID

Claim ID

Account # (PCN)

Patient First

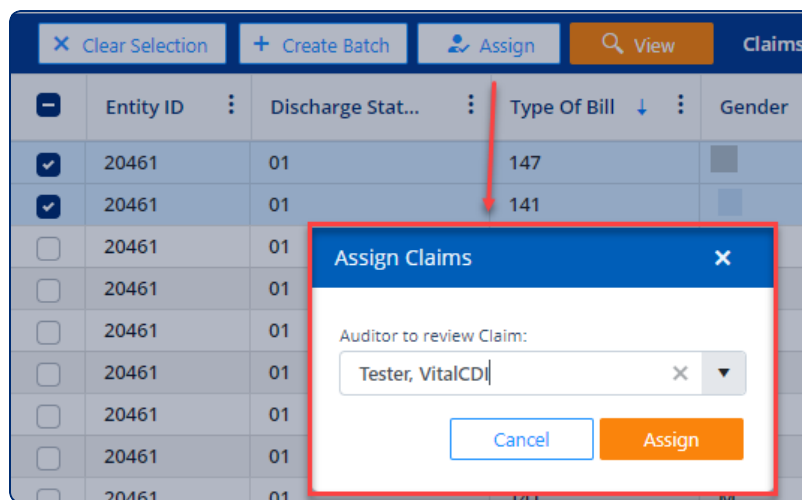
Patient Last

Assigning Claims

There are several ways to assign claims to a specific auditor. It can be done in the **Claims** table, the **Batch View**, or in the **Audit Details** section of the **Claim Details** screen.

To assign one or more claims at a time:

1. Select one or more claims on the **Claims** table, or in a batch on the **Batch View**.
2. Click the **Assign** button on the **Claims** table or **Batch View Action** bar, to open the **Assign Claims** dialog.
3. Click the drop-down icon in the **Auditor to review Claim** box, select a name from the list, then click **Assign**.



You can also assign a single claim to an auditor in the **Audit Details** section on the **Claim Details** screen.

To assign a single claim on the **Claim Details** screen:

1. Select a claim on the **Claims** table and click **View**.
2. Click the **Caret** icon on the right side of the **Audit Details** header to open the section.

3. Click the drop-down icon in the **Assigned To** box, select a name from the list, then click **Save** in the **Audit Details** header.

Audit Details

	MS-DRG	APR-DRG	SOI
Original	-	-	-
Audited	-	-	-

☐ Patient Name on all pages

☐ HCC added

☐ 2nd patie

☐ Member Name on all pages

☐ Date of Service on all pages

☐ Legible

Additional Details

Original Coder:

Higgins, Maxwell

Assigned To:

Tester

Reason for DRG Shift:

Select DRG Shift

Audit Change Principal Reason:

Select Audit Change Principal Reason

Viewing Claim Details

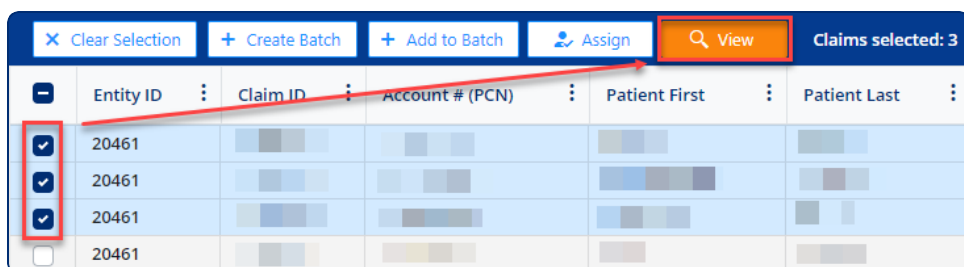
The **Claim Details** screen includes claim specific information and options for use in auditing a claim. There are several methods for opening the screen.

Use one of the following methods to open the **Claim Details** screen for a single claim:

- Double-click on a claim row in the **Claims** table.
- Enter an **Account # (PCN)** in the **Search MRN or Account** box on the **Search Options** pane, then click **Search**.

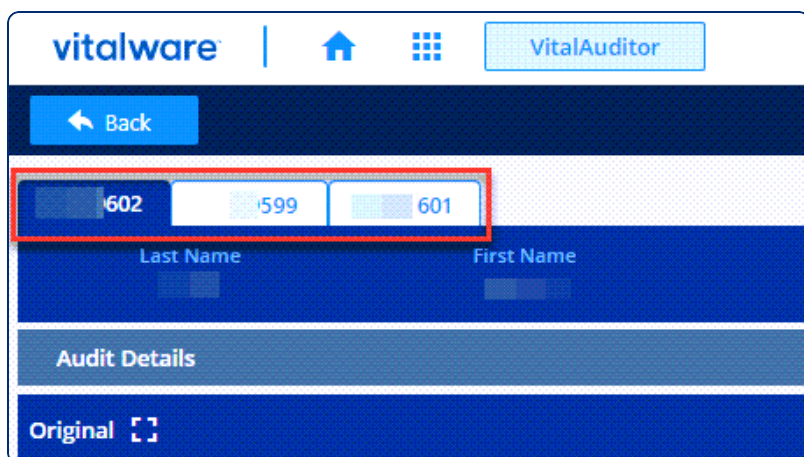
To open the **Claim Details** screen for up to ten claims:

1. Check the **Select** check box next to one or more claims in the **Claims** table.
2. Select the **View** button on the table header.



	Entity ID	Claim ID	Account # (PCN)	Patient First	Patient Last
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	20461				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	20461				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	20461				
<input type="checkbox"/>	20461				


Each claim you select appears as a **Claim ID** tab at the top of the **Claim Details** screen. Click on a tab to bring a specific claim to the front. Click on the **Back** button to return to the previous screen.

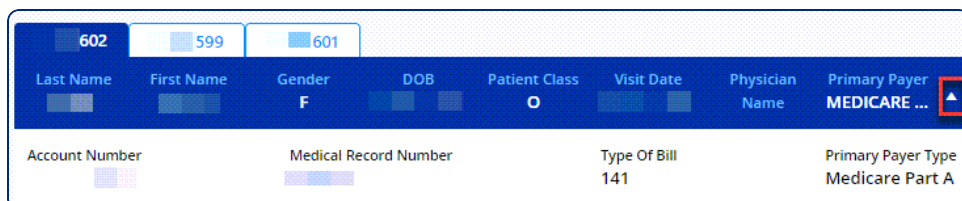


The **Claim Details** screen is divided into the following sections.


Demographics

Each tab header displays patient and claim demographic information for a single claim. Click on a tab to open a specific claim.

Additional demographic information displays when you click the  **Caret** icon on the right side of the tab header. The icon expands and collapses the data.



Audit Details


The **Audit Details** section is the second header on the screen. Click the  **Caret** icon on the right side of the header to open or close the section. This section allows you to:

- Compare Inpatient claim **Original** and **Audited** diagnosis codes (after you validate)
- Choose options for your audit report
- Provide or update additional audit details
- View or enter claim level notes for the audit

Audit Details				Save	Complete	▲
Original	MS-DRG	Description	APR-DRG	Description	SOI	ROM
Audited	581	Other skin, subcu...	-	-	-	-
<div> <input type="checkbox"/> Patient Name on all pages <input type="checkbox"/> HCC added </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> 2nd patient identifier on all pages <input type="checkbox"/> Provider signature present </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Member Name on all pages <input type="checkbox"/> Date of Service on all pages </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Legible </div>						
Additional Details						
Original Coder:		Assigned To:				
Select Original Coder		Select Assigned Auditor				
Audit Workflow:		Reason for DRG Shift:				
Select Audit Workflow		Select DRG Shift				
Audit Change Principal Reason:		Audit Change Secondary Reason:				
Select Audit Change Principal Reason		Select Audit Change Secondary Reason				
Educational Opportunities:						
Select Educational Opportunities						

Original and Audit Panes

The bottom part of the **Claim Details** screen is where you view original claim information and perform your audit. It is divided into two panes, **Original** and **Audit**. Expand or collapse either pane across your screen using the **Expand/Collapse** icon on the left side of each pane header.


Last Name	First Name	Gender	DOB
Audit Details			
Original 			
Diagnoses			
Admit Dx:			

The **Original** pane contains information from the original claim. The information in this pane can't be changed.

The **Original** pane displays:

- Original charge and payment data (opened via the **Caret** icon on the right side of the pane header)
- Original diagnosis codes with related information

- Original CPT®/HCPCS codes with related information
- Original procedure codes (Inpatient, Outpatient) with related information

Original 

Codes: 3
Payment Received: N/A
Total Charges: \$369.00 (N/A)

RevCode	CPT/HCPCSCode	Mod(s)	Charges
0300	87086		N/A
0300	87186		N/A
0301	83789		N/A

Diagnoses
Admit Dx: R35.0

Code	Description
R35.0	Frequency of micturition

CPT/HCPCS

Rev Co...	Code	Description	Modifiers	Service Date	Units	Provider
0300	87086	Culture, bacterial; quantitative colon...		11/25/2019	1	
0300	87186	Susceptibility studies, antimicrobial a...		11/25/2019	1	
0301	83789	Mass spectrometry and tandem mas...		11/25/2019	1	

Procedures

Code	Description	Provider	Service Date
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The **Audit** pane initially reflects the original audit information and is where you perform your audit.

The **Audit** pane allows you to:

- Add and remove diagnosis, CPT/HCPCS, and procedure codes
- Add or change code modifiers, service dates, units, validation indicators(VI) codes, and present on admission (POA) codes..
- Drag and drop code rows within each code section to rearrange their order
- Search for coding information
- Validate your audit changes and view the results
- View or enter notes at the code level

Audit
Validate

Diagnoses
Admit DX: D25.1

Flag	Code	Description	POA	VI	Notes	Actions
	D25.1	Intramural leiomyoma of uterus	Y			
	N13.4	Hydroureter	Y			
	F17.210	Nicotine dependence, cigarettes, uncomp...	Y			
	D50.0	Iron deficiency anemia secondary to bloo...	Y			

Enter Diagnoses Code....

Procedures

Code	Description	Provider	Service Date	VI	Notes	Actions
0UT90ZZ	Resection of Uterus, Open Approach		11/15/2019			
0UT70ZZ	Resection of Bilateral Fallopian Tubes...		11/15/2019			

Enter Procedures Code....

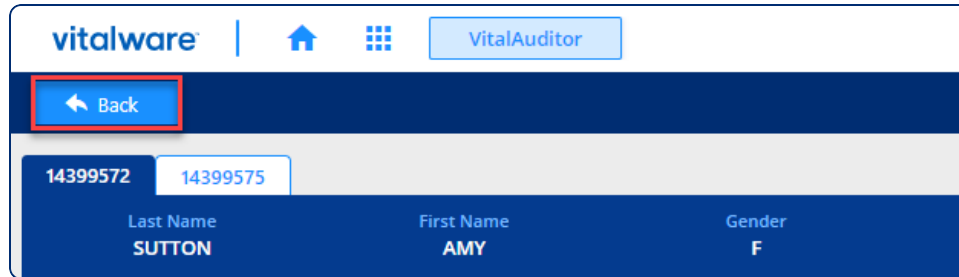
CPT/HCPCS

Rev Code	Code	Description	Modifiers	Service

Closing Claim Details

Close individual **Claim** tabs on your **Claim Details** screen by clicking the **X** that displays when you hover on the tab.

Close the entire **Claim Details** screen and return to your previous screen by clicking the **Back** button on the left side of the toolbar.

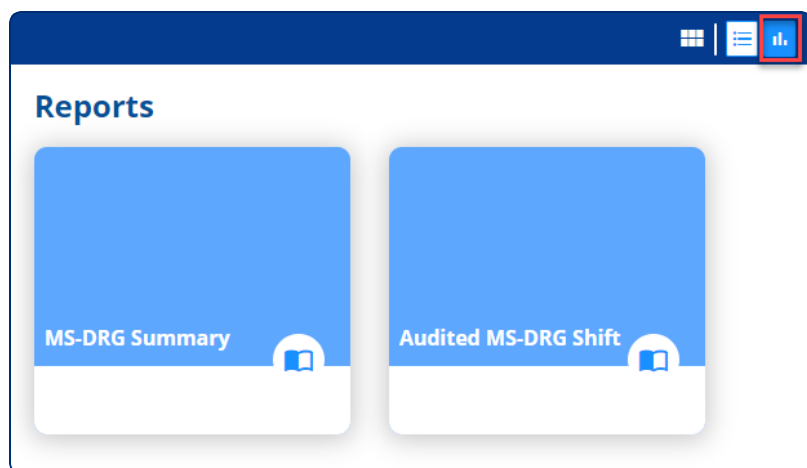


Product Reports

Several VitalAuditor reports are available on the **Reports** page. Open the page by clicking on the **Reports** icon in your **Action** bar.



Open a report by clicking its tile on the **Reports** page. By default, reports reflect all claims on your **Claims** table with an **Admit Date** in the last 30 days.



You can use *one or more* of the options in the **Search Option** pane to alter the claims reflected in your report. Options include the ability to:

- Enter or select an **Admit Date** range for your report.
- Enter or select a **Discharge Date** range for your report.
- Enter or select a **Batch Name**, to narrow your report to claims in a specific **Batch**.

Click **Search** to reproduce your report after altering your report search options.

Search Options <

Filter Search

Admit Date

04/26/2021

05/26/2021

Discharge Date

Start Date

End Date

Batch Select

Type/Select the Batch Name ▼

The following reports are available on the page:

- **MS-DRG Summary** - summary of original DRG's
- **Audited MS-DRG Shift** - original and audited DRG comparison
- **Inpatient Claim Comments** - list of inpatient claim related comments
- **Inpatient Code Comments** - list of inpatient code related comments
- **Outpatient Claim Comments** - list of outpatient claim related comments
- **Outpatient Code Comments** - list of outpatient code related comments
- **Case Mix Index** - Medicare and non-Medicare case counts with related information
- **DRG CC/MCC Capture Rate** - a break-down of CC (Complication or Comorbidity) and MCC (Major Complication or Comorbidity) DRG counts
- **DRG NOS Summary** - summary of NOS (Not Otherwise Specified) DRGs.
- **Total Financial Impact by MS-DRG** - a break-down of potential financial impacts for each MS-DRG

Click **Return to Reports** to return to the **Reports** page from an open report, and click the **Table** icon to return to your **Claims** table.

Return to Reports

Original DRG ↑ 2	Original D...	Total Original DRG \$	Audited DRG ↑ 3	Audited D...	Audited ... ↓ 1	Total Au...	Total DR...
392	ESOPHAGITIS, G...	\$8,828.26	981	Toxic effect of ...	2	\$52,061.86	\$43,233.60
871	SEPTICEMIA OR ...	\$22,273.84	853	INFECTIOUS AN...	2	\$58,951.40	\$36,677.56
392	ESOPHAGITIS, G...	\$4,414.13	871	SEPTICEMIA OR...	1	\$11,136.92	\$6,722.79
853	INFECTIOUS AN...	\$29,475.70	871	SEPTICEMIA OR...	1	\$11,136.92	(\$18,338.78)
981	Toxic effect of p...	\$26,030.93	871	SEPTICEMIA OR...	1	\$11,136.92	(\$14,894.01)

Column Data Descriptions

Claims table column descriptions are listed below:

- **Account # (PCN)** - patient control number
- **Admit Date** - patient admission date
- **Attending Phys** - primary physician responsible for patient's care
- **Audit Workflow** - the claims state in the workflow process
- **Audited Admit Code** - post-audit diagnosis code
- **Audited APR-DRG** - post-audit All Patient Refined Diagnosis Related Group calculated by 3M™ grouper
- **Audited APR-DRG ROM** - post-audit Risk of Mortality score provided by 3M™
- **Audited APR-DRG SOI** - post-audit Severity of Illness score provided by 3M™
- **Audited MS-DRG** - post-audit Medicare Severity Diagnosis Related Group
- **Audited MS-DRG ALOS** - post-audit Average Length of Stay
- **Audited MS-DRG GMLOS** - post-audit Geometric Mean Length of Stay
- **Audited MS-DRG Reimbursement** - post-audit Estimated Reimbursement
- **Auditor** - the auditor assigned to audit a claim
- **Calculated Net Payment** - calculated net payment of the account
- **Change Reason Principal ID** - the reason the principal diagnosis was changed
- **Claim ID** - unique code identifier for a claim (assigned by Vitalware)
- **Discharge Date** - patient discharge date
- **Discharge Status Code** - account discharge disposition
- **DRG Shift** - indicates if the diagnosis was changed in the audit

- **DRG Shift Reason** - indicates the reason the diagnosis changed in the audit
- **Entity ID** - unique code identifier for an entity (assigned by Vitalware)
- **Gender** - patient gender
- **MRN** - medical record number
- **NPI** - National Provider Index
- **Original Admit Code** - pre-audit diagnosis code
- **Original APR-DRG** - pre-audit All Patient Refined Diagnosis Related Group
- **Original APR-DRG ROM** - pre-audit Risk of Mortality score
- **Original APR-DRG SOI** - pre-audit Severity of Illness score
- **Original Coder** - ID of original claim coder
- **Original MS-DRG** - post-audit Medicare Severity Diagnosis Related Group
- **Original MS-DRG ALOS** - pre-audit Average Length of Stay
- **Original MS-DRG GMLOS** - pre-audit Geometric Mean Length of Stay
- **Original MS-DRG Reimbursement** - pre-audit estimated reimbursement
- **Patient First** - patient's first name
- **Patient Last** - patient's last name
- **Payment Variance** - the difference between the pre-audit and the post-audit payment
- **Primary Payer** - primary insurance carrier or payer responsible for account payment
- **Primary Payer ID** - code indicating primary insurance carrier or payer responsible for account payment
- **Total Payment** - the total payment before adjustments
- **Type of Bill** - code identifying facility type, care type, and a frequency designation

Chapter 3: Auditing Claims

Find details about using your product to audit claims.

Preparing to Audit

Prepare to audit by selecting claims for audit on the **Claims** table or in the **Batch View**, and viewing them on the **Claim Details** screen.

To select claims and prepare to audit:

- 1. Select one or more **Select** check boxes on the **Claims** table or a **Batch** view table.
- 2. Click the **View** button to open the selected claims on the **Claim Details** screen.
- 3. Click the **Claim ID** tab for the claim you want to audit.
- 4. Open the extended **Demographics** by selecting the **Caret** icon on the right side of the **Claim ID** header.
- 5. Inspect the claim demographics to ensure the claim identity matches your other audit resources.

Last Name	First Name	Gender	DOB	Patient Class	Visit Date	Physician Name	Primary Payer	
				O				▲
Account Number	Medical Record Number		Type Of Bill		Primary Payer Type			

Chapter 3: Auditing Claims

Updating Audit Details

The **Audit Details** section allows you to select audit detail options at anytime during your audit, and compare original and audited DRG information after your audit is complete.

To view or update **Audit Details**:

1. Click the **Caret** icon on the **Audit Details** header to open the section.
2. If you have validated or completed an Inpatient claim audit, review the information in the **Audit Comparison** section, otherwise skip this step.
3. Review or select one or more of the following reporting detail check boxes:
 - a. **Patient Name on all pages**
 - b. **HCC added** (Hierarchical Condition Code)
 - c. **2nd patient identifier on all pages**
 - d. **Provider signature present**
 - e. **Member Name on all pages**
 - f. **Date of Service on all pages**
 - g. **Legible** (legible doctor's notes)
4. Review or update one or more of the **Additional Details** boxes:
 - a. **Original Coder** - the identity of the original coder for the claim
 - b. **Assigned To** - the auditor assigned to perform the claim audit
 - c. **Audit Workflow** - indicates where a claim stands in your audit workflow (**None, Open, Assigned, In Process, Completed, Rejected**)
 - d. **Reason for DRG Shift** - standard reason for a change to the original DRG (**None, Coding, Documentation, Grouper**)
 - e. **Audit Change Principal Reason** - principal reason for audit changes

- f. **Audit Change Secondary Reason** - secondary reason for audit changes
 - g. **Educational Opportunities** - standard educational opportunities derived from the audit (**Yes - for Billing, Yes - for Coding, Yes - for CDI, Yes - for Physicians, No**)
 - h. **Discharge Disposition** - discharge disposition or status code
 - i. **Reason for Discharge Disposition Change** - reason the discharge disposition code was changed
5. View notes in the **Notes** section, or click the **Add note** button to add a note at the claim level.
 6. Click the **Save** button on the right side of the **Audit Details** header if you make updates.

Audit Details
Save
Complete

☐ Patient Name on all pages

☐ HCC added

☐ 2nd patient identifier on all pages

☐ Provider signature present

☐ Member Name on all pages

☐ Date of Service on all pages

☐ Legible

Additional Details

Original Coder:

Audit Workflow:

Audit Change Principal Reason:

Educational Opportunities:

Discharge Disposition:

Reason for Discharge Disposition Change:

Assigned To:

Reason for DRG Shift:

Audit Change Secondary Reason:

Notes
Add note

**Notes:**

- **Original Coder** may be pre-populated, if the client provided the data.
- **Reason for DRG Shift, Audit Change Principal Reason, Audit Change Secondary Reason** , and **Reason for Discharge Disposition Change** boxes are inactive unless audit changes have been made.
- Clicking the **Complete** button in the section header changes your audit **Workflow Status** to **Complete** and closes the account's **Claim Details** tab.

Performing Your Audit

The **Original** and **Audit** panes on the **Claim Details** screen provide information and features to assist you with performing an audit.

Original Pane

The **Original** pane contains the original coding information and details from a claim. It serves as a static record of the original claim data and does not allow updates. The section order and information in the pane vary slightly depending on the claim's **Patient Class** (Inpatient, Outpatient, or Professional).


The pane sections and audit features are described below.

Original Pane Header

- **Expand/Collapse** icon  - expands and collapses audit pane size



Audit Tip: Expand the **Original** pane across the width of your screen for a better view of the original claim information.

- **Caret** icon  (Outpatient, Professional) - opens and closes the **Charges and Payments** section



Audit Tip: Open the **Charges and Payment** section for Outpatient and Professional claims to view the original charges and payments information.

Last Name	First Name	Gender	DOB	Patient Class	Visit Date	Physician Name	Primary Payer
				O			
Audit Details				Save	Complete		
Original							

Charges and Payments Section (Outpatient, Professional)

The **Charges and Payments** section displays claim charge and payment information for Outpatient and Professional claims. A red amount next to **Total Charges** indicates a discrepancy between the line item total and the payment received.






Original			
Codes: 3		Payment Received: N/A	
		Total Charges: \$265.00 (N/A)	
RevCode	CPT/HCPCSCode	Mod(s)	Charges
0300	36415		N/A
0300	84439		N/A
0300	84443		N/A

Diagnoses Section

The **Diagnoses** section displays the original **Admit DX** (Inpatient, Professional), or **Reason for Visit** (Outpatient) in the header, and the original claim diagnosis codes in a table.

Original			
Diagnoses			Admit Dx: Z38.00
Flag	Code	Description	POA
	Z38.00	Single liveborn infant, delivered vaginally	1

Columns and features are:

- **Admit DX** (Inpatient, Professional) - original admitting diagnosis code
- **Reason for Visit** (Outpatient) - original reason for visit code
- **P** (Professional) - indicates position (order) of diagnosis
- **Flag** - colored icons  indicate significant code details that affect the DRG, outline icons  indicate that the DRG is not affected (hover over a **Flag** to display its label) Flags are:
 - »  (Inpatient) - complication or comorbidity
 - »  (Outpatient) - first listed diagnosis code
 - »  (Inpatient) - hospital acquired conditions

- » **HCC** (Inpatient, Outpatient, Professional) - hierarchical condition category
- » **MC** (Inpatient) - major complication or comorbidity
- » **P** (Inpatient) - primary diagnosis
- **P** (Professional) - position or order of diagnosis codes
- **Code** - original diagnosis codes
- **Description** - original diagnosis code descriptions (hover over a description to see its entire text)
- **POA** (Inpatient) - original **Present on Admission** codes (hover over a code to see its definition) Codes are:
 - » **Y** - present at time of inpatient admission
 - » **N** - not present at time of inpatient admission
 - » **U** - insufficient documentation on admission
 - » **W** - clinically undetermined
 - » **1** - exempt from POA reporting

Procedures Section (Inpatient, Outpatient)

The **Procedures** section displays the original **Procedure** codes in a table.

Procedures			
Code	Description	Provider	Service Date
0DB78...	Excision of Stomach, Pylorus, Via Natural or Artificial Opening Endoscopic, ...		11/24/2019

Columns and features are:

- **Code** - original procedure codes
- **Description** - original procedure code descriptions (hover over a description to see its entire text)
- **Provider** - original procedure providers
- **Service Date** - original procedure service dates

CPT/HCPCS Section

The **CPT®/HCPCS** section displays the original **CPT/HCPCS** codes in a table.

CPT/HCPCS								
Rev Code	POS	Diag(S)	Code	Description	Modifiers	Service Date	Units	Provider
			T1030	Nursing care, in ...		11/15/2019	1	
			T1030	Nursing care, in ...		11/12/2019	1	

Columns and features are:

- **Rev Code** - original revenue codes
- **POS** (*Professional*) - original places of service
- **DXP** (*Professional*) - diagnosis pointer
- **Code** - original CPT/HCPCS codes
- **Description** - original CPT/HCPCS code descriptions (hover over a description to see its entire text)
- **Modifiers** - original CPT/HCPCS code modifiers (hover over a code to see its definition)
- **Service Date** - original code service dates
- **Units** - original units of service
- **Provider** - original service providers

Audit Pane

The **Audit** pane is where you make audit updates. The pane initially includes the original coding information to serve as the baseline for your audit. The section order and information in the pane vary slightly depending on the **Patient Class** (Inpatient, Outpatient, or Professional).

The pane sections and audit features are described below.

Audit Pane Header

- **Expand/Collapse** icon  - expands and collapses audit pane size



Audit Tip: Expand the **Audit** pane across the width of your screen for a better view of the audit claim information.

- **Validate** button - validates audit updates and displays results





Audit Tips:


- » Click the **Validate** button after you have made audit updates to validate them and open the **Validation Results** pane.
- » If information required for validation is missing, a pop-up notification will provide details.

- **Caret** icon  - opens and closes **Audit Results** section below header

Patient Class
P


Visit Date



Physician Name


Primary Payer



Save

Complete




Audit 

Validate




Audit Results Section

The **Audit Results** section displays audit result information after you **Validate** your audit.


Audit 

Validate



Codes: 1

Total Net Payment: \$115.85

Code	SI	Mod(s)	Net Payment	Reimbursement Explanation
	V	--	\$115.85	Paid under OPPS; separate APC payment.

Diagnoses Section

The **Diagnoses** section displays audit diagnosis codes, including the **Admit DX** (Inpatient, Professional) or **Reason for Visit** (Outpatient) in the header.



Audit Tip: You can rearrange the section row order by left-clicking a **Description** value and dragging the entire row to a new location in the table.

Audit Validate						
Diagnoses			Admit Dx: K92.1			
Flag	Code	Description	POA	VI	Notes	Actions
P HCC	A40.3 NEW	Sepsis due to Streptoco...				
CC HCC	F10.230	Alcohol dependence wi...				
	K92.1	Melena				




Columns and features are:

- **Admit DX** (Inpatient, Professional) - add or update an admitting diagnosis code
- **Reason for Visit** (Outpatient) - add or update a reason for visit code



Audit Tip: Type a new admitting diagnosis code directly in a **Admit DX** or **Reason for Visit** box, then click **Save**.

- **P** (Professional) - indicates position (order) of diagnosis
- **Flag** - colored **Flag** icons **CC** indicate significant code details that affect the DRG, outline **Flag** icons **CC** indicate that the DRG is not affected. (hover over a **Flag** to display its label) Flags are:
 - » **CC** (Inpatient) - complication or comorbidity
 - » **FL** (Outpatient) - first listed diagnosis code
 - » **HAC** (Inpatient) - hospital acquired conditions
 - » **HCC** (Inpatient, Outpatient, Professional) - hierarchical condition category

- »  (Inpatient) - major complication or comorbidity
- »  (Inpatient) - principle diagnosis
- **P** (Professional) - position or order of diagnosis codes
- **Code** - diagnosis codes and **New** icons  to indicate codes added during an audit.



Audit Tips:

- » You can drag a diagnosis **Code** value from the **Diagnoses** section, drop it in the **Admit DX** or **Reason for Visit** header box, then click **Save**.
- » Duplicate diagnosis codes entered into the **Code** column are not saved.

- **Description** - diagnosis code descriptions (hover over a description to see its entire text)
- **POA** (Inpatient) - **Present on Admission** codes (hover over a code to see its definition) Codes are:
 - » **Y** - present at time of inpatient admission
 - » **N** - not present at time of inpatient admission
 - » **U** - insufficient documentation on admission
 - » **W** - clinically undetermined
 - » **1** - exempt from POA reporting





Audit Tip: Click in the **POA** cell to open a drop-down list, select a **POA** code, then click **Save**.

- **VI** - validation indicator codes (hover over a code to see its definition)





Audit Tip: Click in the **VI** cell to open a drop-down list, select a **VI** code, then click **Save**.

- **Notes - Note** icons  (no notes)  (existing notes) for adding notes and viewing existing notes



Audit Tips:


- » Click any **Note** icon to open the **Notes** dialog and add notes.
- » Click a *blue* **Note** icon to open the **Notes** dialog and view existing notes.

- **Actions - Trashcan** icons  and **Plus** icons  for adding or removing diagnosis codes



Audit Tips:

- » Click a **Trashcan** icon to remove a diagnosis code from your audit.
- » Removed *original* codes sink to the bottom of the table where they remain in grey font with a strike-through.
- » Click a **Plus** icon to return a removed original diagnosis code to the claim.
- » Removed non-original codes (added during audit) are removed from the table.

- **Magnifier** icon  - opens **Code Search** dialog to allow searching for and adding diagnosis codes



Audit Tips:

- » Click the **Magnifier** icon to open the **Code Search** dialog and
- » In the **Code Search** dialog, type a code, description, or keyword,



- » In the **Code Search** dialog, click a **Plus** icon to select a code, and the **Add Codes** button to add the code.
- » In the **Code Search** dialog, click a **Plus** icon to select a code, and the **Add Codes** button to add the code.

- **Code Entry** box - enter potential diagnosis codes



Audit Tips:

- » Type a code in the **Code Entry** box and click **Enter** on your keyboard to add the code.
- » Type a partial code (three characters) in the **Code Entry** box, select a code from the suggestion drop-down list, and click **Enter** on your keyboard to add the code.

Procedures Section (Inpatient, Outpatient)

The **Procedures** section displays the audit **Procedure** codes in a table.



Audit Tip: You can rearrange the section row order by left-clicking on a **Description** and dragging the row to a new location in the table.

Procedures						
Code		Description	Provider	Service Date	VI	Notes Actions
10D00Z0	NEW	Extraction of Produ...				
0DB78ZX		Excision of Stomac...			IPVI30	

Enter Procedures Code....

Columns are:

- **Code** - procedure code and **New** icons to indicate codes added during an audit.

- **Description** - procedure code description (hover over a **Description** to see its full text)
- **Provider** - procedure provider
- **Service Date** - procedure service date





Audit Tip: Double-click a **Service Date** cell, click the **Calendar** icon that appears to select a new date, then click **Save**.

- **VI** - validation indicator codes (hover over a code to see its definition)



Audit Tip: Click in the **VI** cell to open a drop-down list, select a **VI** code, then click **Save**.

- **Notes** - **Note** icons  (no notes)  (existing notes) for adding notes and viewing existing notes



Audit Tips:

- » Click *any* **Note** icon to open the **Notes** dialog, add a note, and click **Save**.
- » Click a blue **Note** icon to open the **Notes** dialog and view existing notes.

- **Actions** - **Trashcan** icons  and **Plus** icons  for adding or removing procedure codes



Audit Tips:

- » Click the **Trashcan** icon to remove a procedure code from your audit.
- » Removed *original* codes sink to the bottom of the table where they remain in grey font with a strike-through.
- » Click the **Plus** icon to return a removed original procedure code



- » Non-original codes (added during audit) are not retained in the table if you remove them.
- » Non-original codes (added during audit) are not retained in the table if you remove them.

- **Magnifier** icon  - opens **Code Search** dialog to allow searching and adding diagnosis codes



Audit Tips:

- » Click the **Magnifier** icon to open the **Code Search** dialog and search for codes to add or remove.
- » Click a **Plus** icon to select a code in the **Codes Found** section of the dialog, then the **Add Codes** button to add the code to your audit..

- **Code Entry** box - enter procedure codes



Audit Tips:




- » Type a code in the **Code Entry** box and click **Enter** on your keyboard to add the code.
- » Type a partial code (three characters) in the **Code Entry** box, select a code from the suggestion drop-down list, and click **Enter** on your keyboard to add the code.

CPT/HCPCS Section


The CPT/HCPCS section displays the audit CPT/HCPCS codes.



Audit Tip: You can rearrange the section row order by left-clicking on a **Description** and dragging the row to a new location in the section.

CPT/HCPCS						
Rev Code	Code	Description	Modifiers	Service Date	Units	Provider
	33212	 Insertion of pacemaker pulse ge...				
	80061	 Lipid panel This panel must incl...				
	36415	 Collection of venous blood by v...				

Columns and features are:

- **Rev Code** - revenue code
- **POS** (Professional) - place of service
- **DXP** (Professional) - diagnosis pointer
- **Code** - CPT/HCPCS codes and **New** icons  to indicate codes added during an audit.
- **Description** - CPT/HCPCS code descriptions (hover over a **Description** to see its full text)
- **Modifiers** - CPT/HCPCS code modifiers (hover over a code to see its definition)



Audit Tip: Click in a **Modifier** cell to open a drop-down list, select a **Modifier** code, then click **Save**.

- **Service Date** - code service date



Audit Tip: Double-click a **Service Date** cell, click the **Calendar** icon that appears to select a new date, then click **Save**.

- **Units** - units of service





Audit Tip: Click in a **Units** cell to add or update unit values.

- **Provider** - service provider



Audit Tip: Type a partial code (three characters) in the **Code Entry** box, select a code from the suggestion drop-down list, and click **Save**.

- **VI** - validation indicator codes (hover over a code to see its definition)
- **Notes** - **Note** icons  (no notes)  (existing notes) for adding notes and viewing existing notes



Audit Tips:

- » Click a blue **Note** icon to open the **Notes** dialog, add a note, and click **Save**.
- » Click *any* **Note** icon to open the **Notes** dialog, and view existing notes.

- **Actions** - **Trashcan** icons  and **Plus** icons  for adding or removing CPT/HCPCS codes



Audit Tips:

- Click the **Trashcan** icon to remove a CPT/HCPCS code from your audit.
- Removed *original* codes sink to the bottom of the table where they remain in grey font with a strike-through.
- Click the **Plus** icon to return a removed original CPT/HCPCS to the claim.
- Non-original codes (added during audit) are not retained in the table if you remove them.

- **Magnifier** icon  - opens **Code Search** dialog to search for and add CPT/HCPCS codes

**Audit Tips:**

- » Click the **Magnifier** icon to open the **Code Search** dialog and search for codes to add or remove.
- » In the **Code Search** dialog, type a code, description, or keyword and adjust the **Code Type** if necessary, to search for a code.
- » Click a **Plus** icon to select a code, then the **Add Codes** button in the dialog to add the code to your audit.

- **Code Entry** box - enter potential CPT/HCPCS codes

**Audit Tips:**

- » Type a code in the **Code Entry** box and click **Enter** on your keyboard to add the code.
- » Type a partial code (three characters) in the **Code Entry** box, select a code from the suggestion drop-down list, and click **Enter** on your keyboard to add the code.

Validating Your Audit

As you perform or complete your audit, you can validate your audit changes with a variety of groupers. The comparison occurs and the results are displayed when you click the **Validate** button in the **Audit** pane header.

When you validate, the **Validation Results** pane appears on the right side of your screen, and the **Audit** pane is moved to the left.



The screenshot shows the top of the Audit pane. It has a dark blue header bar with the word "Audit" and a window icon on the left, and a "Validate" button on the right. Below the header is a light blue bar with the word "Diagnoses" on the left and "Admit Dx: Z48.3" on the right. Below that is a table with columns: Select, Code, Description, VI, Notes, and Actions.



Audit Tip: If information required for validation is missing, a pop-up notification will provide details.

The **Validation Results** pane provides information about how your audit changes have affected the claim. The information in the pane varies slightly depending on the claim's **Patient Class** (Inpatient, Outpatient, or Professional).

Inpatient Claims

The **Validation Results** pane for Inpatient claims includes the following information tabs:

- **MS-DRG** - displays original and audit information grouped by MS-DRG, including ALOS, GMLOS, Estimated Reimbursements, and DRG relative weight.

Validation Results: ✕ Validate

MS-DRGAPR-DRGPDXDRG+Edits

Original

DRG	ALOS
378 - Gastrointestinal hemorrhage with CC	3.5
MDC	GMLOS
6 - Diseases and Disorders of the Digestive System	3
Estimated Reimbursement	
\$ 5920.65	
DRG Relative Weight	
0.9932	

Audit

DRG	ALOS
999 - Ungroupable	—
MDC	GMLOS

- **APR-DRG** - [Under Development]
- **PDX** - displays information about how **Primary Diagnosis** changes affect reimbursements, including DRG, MDC, Estimated Reimbursement, GMLOS, and DRG Relative Weight.

Validation Results: ✕

Validate

MS-DRGAPR-DRGPDXDRG+Edits

PDX	MDC	Estimated Reimbursement
I63.81	1 - Diseases and Disorders of the Nervous System	\$ 4156.18
DRG	GMLOS	DRG Relative Weight
066 - Intracranial hemorrhage or cerebral infarction w/o CC/MCC	2	0.717

PDX	MDC	Estimated Reimbursement
Z23	23 - Factors Influencing Health Status and Other Contacts with Health Services	\$ 3399.72
DRG	GMLOS	DRG Relative Weight
951 - Other factors influencing health status	1.9	0.5865

- **DRG+** - displays basic DRG information, a list of codes with potential for DRG improvement, and **Add CodePlus** icons, so you can add codes to the claim directly from the tab.

Validation Results: X Validate

MS-DRG APR-DRG PDX DRG+ Edits

Suggested DRG for 066
065 - Intracranial hemorrhage or cerebral infarction w CC or tPA in 24 hrs

Requirement
Review Record for Presence of Complicating/Comorbid Condition, Such As:

Weight
1.0277

Codes	101	Description	
1.	A69.20	Lyme disease, unspecified	+ Add Code
2.	B02.8	Zoster with other complications	+ Add Code
3.	B17.10	Acute hepatitis C without hepatic coma	+ Add Code

- **Edits** - displays potential issues for a claim in **Medicare Code Edits**, **Vitalware Edits**, and **Validation** sections.

Validation Results: X Validate

MS-DRG APR-DRG PDX DRG+ Edits

Medicare Code Edits (MCE)

Vitalware Edits

Code [I63.81](#) assigned. Use additional code to identify presence of: hypertension ([I10-I16](#))

Code [I63.81](#) assigned. Use additional code, if applicable, to identify status post administration of tPA (rtPA) in a different facility within the last 24 hours prior to admission to current facility ([Z92.82](#))

Code [I63.81](#) assigned. Use additional code, if known, to indicate National Institutes of Health Stroke Scale (NIHSS) score ([R29.7-](#))

Code [Z79.899](#) assigned. Code also any therapeutic drug level monitoring ([Z51.81](#))

Validation +

Outpatient Claims

The **Validation Results** for **Outpatient** claims includes the following information tabs:

- **APC** - displays **Ambulatory Payment Classifications**, including number of codes, Total Net Payment, CPT®/HCPCS codes, SI, Mod(s), Net Payment, Reimbursement Explanation, Copay, Rev Code, Weight, and APC code.

Code:	SI:	Mod(s):	Net Payment:
G0463	V	--	\$115.85

Reimbursement Explanation:
 Copay: \$23.17
 Weight: 1.4574
 Rev Code: --
 APC Code: 1554412

- **EAPG** (only present for clients with appropriate system settings) - **[Under Development]**
- **CCI** - displays **Coordinated Care Initiative** information

CPT Code	Status
36415 CPT	✓ No PTP CCI Issues.
80053 CPT	✓ No PTP CCI Issues.
80061 CPT	✓ No PTP CCI Issues.

- **LCD/NCD** - displays **Local Coverage Determinations** and **National Coverage Determinations** information

Validation Results: ✕ Validate

APC EAPG CCI LCD/NCD Edits

✕ 36415	No Diagnosis Associated	
✕ E78.9	LCD: ✓ 0 ⚠ 0 ✕ 0	
	NCD: ✓ 0 ⚠ 0 ✕ 0	
✕ 80053	No Diagnosis Associated	
✕ E78.9	LCD: ✓ 0 ⚠ 0 ✕ 0	
	NCD: ✓ 0 ⚠ 0 ✕ 0	

- **Edits** - displays potential issues for a claim under Vitalware Edits

Validation Results: ✕ Validate

APC EAPG CCI LCD/NCD Edits

Vitalware Edits

Code [H91.93](#) excludes code [H61.23](#)
 These codes exclude each other according to an Excludes1 note in the ICD-10-CM tabular book. A type 1 Excludes note is a pure excludes note indicating that the code excluded should never be used at the same time as the code above the Excludes1 note.

An exception to the Excludes1 definition is the circumstance when the two conditions are unrelated to each other. If it is not clear whether the two conditions involving an Excludes1 note are related or not, query the provider.

Code [E11.9](#) assigned. Use additional code to identify control using:
 insulin ([Z79.4](#))

Professional Claims

The **Validation Results** for Professional claims includes the following information tabs:

- **CCI** - displays **Coordinated Care Initiative** information

Validation Results: ✕ Validate

CCI LCD/NCD Edits

✓ T1021 HCPCS	No PTP CCI Issues.
✓ A4322 HCPCS	No PTP CCI Issues.

- **LCD/NCD** - displays **Local Coverage Determinations** and **National Coverage Determinations** information

The screenshot shows a 'Validation Results' pane with a dark blue header. On the left, it says 'Validation Results: X' and on the right is a 'Validate' button. Below the header are three tabs: 'CCI', 'LCD/NCD' (which is selected), and 'Edits'. The main area displays a list of codes with their associated LCD and NCD status. Each row has a close button (X) on the left and a dropdown arrow on the right.

Code	LCD	NCD
A4217	No Diagnosis Associated	No Diagnosis Associated
R33.9	LCD: ✓ 0 ⚠ 0 ✕ 0	NCD: ✓ 0 ⚠ 0 ✕ 0
Z93.1	LCD: ✓ 0 ⚠ 0 ✕ 0	NCD: ✓ 0 ⚠ 0 ✕ 0
A4310	No Diagnosis Associated	No Diagnosis Associated
R33.9	LCD: ✓ 0 ⚠ 0 ✕ 0	NCD: ✓ 0 ⚠ 0 ✕ 0

- **Edits** - [Under Development]

Closing Validation Results

When you have finished reviewing the **Validation Results** pane, click **Save** in the **Audit Details** header, and close the pane by clicking the **X** next to the **Validation Results** pane title. The **Audit** pane returns to its position on the right side of the screen when you close the **Validation Results** pane.

Completing Your Audit

Click the **Complete** button in the **Audit Details** header when you complete your audit. When you click the button it:

- Saves any unsaved updates
- Updates the claim's **Audit Workflow** value to **Complete**
- Closes the **Claim ID** tab on the **Claim Details** screen



Audit Tip: You can update the **Audit Workflow** value, and reopen the claim for audit at any time.

Managing Audit Notes

You can view and add audit notes at the code, claim, or batch level. Notes can be added at anytime during or after an audit.

Batch Level Notes

To add or view batch level notes:

1. Click the **Batch View** icon on the **Claims** table **Action** bar.
2. Click the **Caret** icon on the right side of a **Batch** header to open the **Batch Details** section.
3. Under **Notes** in the expanded batch details:
 - a. View a list of existing notes.
 - b. Click the **Add Note** button to open the **Notes** dialog, add a note, and **Save**.

The screenshot shows the 'Audit 1020: Test Batch 1' interface. At the top, there is a toolbar with buttons: 'Clear Selection', 'Remove Claims', 'Assign', 'View', and 'Claims selected: 0'. Below the toolbar, the 'Audit Name' is 'Test Batch 1' and the 'Status' is 'In Progress'. The 'Notes' section is highlighted with a red box. It contains an 'Add note' button and a table with three columns: 'Date', 'Added By', and 'Note'. The table lists three notes: 'another note' (02/26/2021), 'note test 2' (02/26/2021), and 'test note' (12/11/2020). At the bottom, there is a pagination bar showing '1' and '1 - 3 of 3 items'.

Date	Added By	Note
02/26/2021		another note
02/26/2021		note test 2
12/11/2020		test note

Claim Level Notes

To add or view claim level notes:

1. Select one or more claims on the **Claims** table.
2. Click the **View** button on the table header to open the **Claim Details** screen.
3. Click the **Caret** icon on the right side of the **Audit Details** section header to open the section.
4. Under **Notes** in the expanded batch details:
 - a. View a list of existing notes.
 - b. Click the **Add Note** button to open the **Notes** dialog, add a note, and **Save**.

Audit Details

	MS-DRG	APR-DRG
Original	-	-
Audited	-	-

☐ Patient Name on all pages
 ☐ HCC added

☐ Member Name on all pages
 ☐ Date of Service on all pages

Additional Details

Original Coder:

Select Original Coder

Assigned To:

Select Assigned Auditor

Reason for DRG Shift:

Select DRG Shift

Audit Change Principal Reason:

Select Audit Change Principle

Educational Opportunities:

Select Educational Opportunities

Notes

Add note

Date	Added By	Note
03/10/2021		test note

1

1 - 1 of 1 items

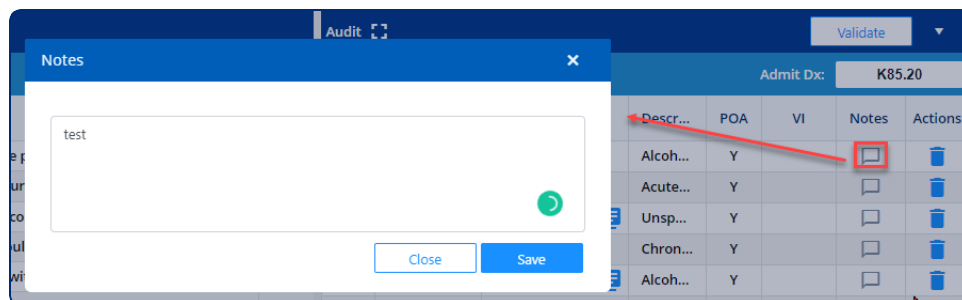
Code Level Notes

To add or view code level notes:

1. Select one or more claims on the **Claims** table.
2. Click the **View** button on the table header to open the **Claim Details** screen.
3. Click a **Notes** icon on a specific code row in the **Audit** pane to open the **Notes** dialog.
4. In the **Notes** dialog:
 - a. View existing notes, then click **Close**.
 - b. Add a note, then click **Save**.



Audit Tip: The **Notes** icon is gray when no notes exist, and blue when there are existing notes.



Chapter 4: Administration

View current system specifications, troubleshooting information, and contact details.

Did You Know?

Product Release Schedule

Product enhancements, new features, and bug fixes are normally released to the live software environment every other Thursday afternoon. The next three Release dates are:

- January 26, 2023
- February 9, 2023
- February 23, 2023



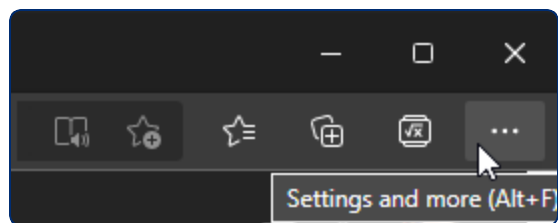
Note: Release dates in November, December, and January may be revised to accommodate holiday scheduling requirements.

Troubleshooting a Blank Dashboard Screen

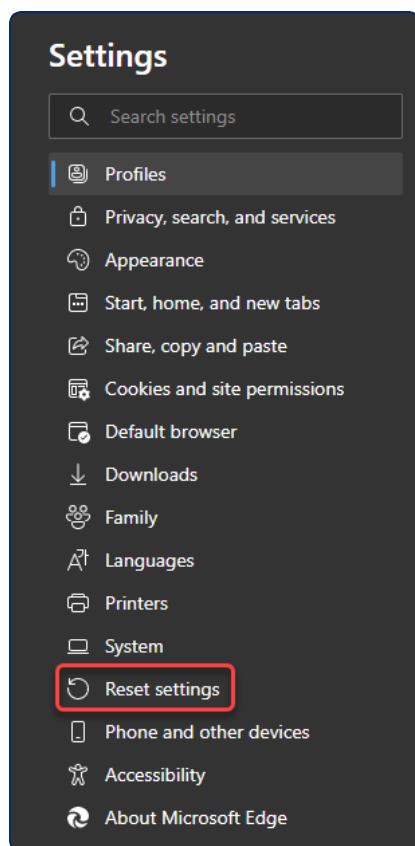
There are several steps you can take if a blank (white) dashboard screen displays when you attempt to sign in to Vitalware. In addition, you may also restart your computer if you have not done so recently. Follow the instructions below for your browser type.

Microsoft Edge Browser Reset

1. Select **Settings and more** () on the right side of your browser toolbar.



2. Select **Settings** > **Reset Settings**.

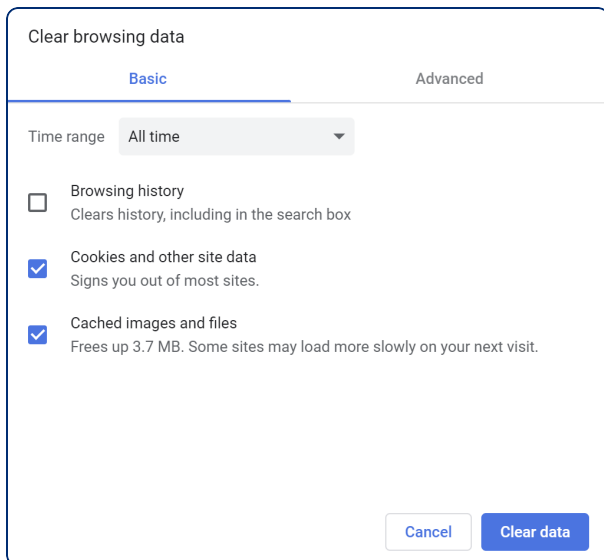


3. Select **Restore settings to their default values**.
4. Close and reopen Microsoft Edge.

Google Chrome Browser Cache Clear

1. Select **Customize and control Google Chrome** (:) on the right side of your browser toolbar.
2. Select **More tools** > **Clear browsing data**.
3. Select **All time** in the **Time range** list.

4. Select **Cookies and other site data** and **Cached images and files**.
5. Verify that anything you want to keep is not selected.
6. Select **Clear data**.




Mozilla Firefox Browser Cache Clear

1. Click **Application Menu** (≡) on the right side of your browser toolbar.
2. Select **History > Clear recent history....**
3. Select **Everything** in the **Time range to clear** list.
4. Select **Cookies** and **Cache**.
5. Verify that anything you want to keep is not selected.
6. Select **OK**.

Clear All History

Time range to clear: **Everything** ▼

 All selected items will be cleared.
This action cannot be undone.

History

☐ Browsing & download history ☒ Cookies

☐ Active logins ☒ Cache

☐ Form & search history

Data

☐ Site settings ☐ Offline website data

OK **Cancel**

Chrome, Edge, or Firefox Hard Reload

A hard reload clears your browser's cache *and* forces it to load the newest data. Use the appropriate command below for your operating system type:

Windows - Ctrl + Shift + R

Macintosh - command + shift + R



Tip: Commands with plus signs indicate you should hold down each key as you press the additional keys.

Restart Your Device

Turn off and on your device. This common option can often resolve local technical issues.

Check Your VPN Connection

If possible, determine if the issue persists outside of your organization's Virtual Private Network (VPN) by:



- Disconnecting your device from your VPN and signing in to the Vitalware product
- Accessing an alternate device that is not connected to your VPN and signing in to the Vitalware product

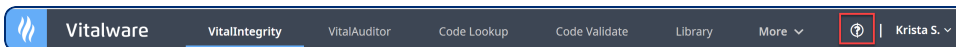
If the issue only exists when using a VPN connection then you may need to contact your organization's IT department.

Release Notes

VitalAuditor release notes are commonly referred to as "What's New?". The latest release notes can be found at

https://help.vitalware.com/vitalauditor/content/resources/pdfs/vitalauditor_whatsnew.pdf or from within VitalAuditor by:

- Selecting **Help** () in the VitalAuditor **Title** bar and choosing **What's New**. This opens a PDF that includes six months of release notes for viewing or downloading.
- Selecting **Help** () in the VitalAuditor **Title** bar and choosing **Online Help**, then clicking on the large blue **What's New?** tile in the screen. This opens an online archive including all release notes for the past year.



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Minimum Specifications

- CPU: Intel Pentium 4+ or 1.3 GHz Pentium processor or equivalent
- RAM: 1 GB (more RAM memory improves review speed)
- Minimum free disk space: 1 GB
- Printing: Printer required to output report data
- Monitor: Resolution of at least 1024 x 768

Recommended Specifications

- The most recent supported version of one of the following browsers:
 - » Chrome
 - » Firefox
 - » Microsoft Edge
- CPU: Intel i5 processor or above
- RAM: 4 | 8 GB ideal
- Monitor: 1280 x 1024 Optimal: 1920 x 1080

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